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HITLER TRYING TO COAX IL DUCE

(Special to the "Sunday Herald")

London, Yesterday. Despite the denial issued by Goering's secretary yesterday, political circles here affirm that Herr Hitler intends to dispatch an emissary to Rome to ascertain Italy's "real intentions."

The emissary would be charged with the task of inducing Il Duce to change Italian foreign policy in favour of giving tangible support to the Reich.

In exchange for this support from Italy, the Reich would be willing to offer Rome a profitable bargain somewhere in the Balkans, these circles assert.

It is understood, however, that the Italian Government is reluctant at present to negotiate with the Reich on this subject.—Havas.

GOERING "DUE ON TUESDAY"

TOKYO, YESTERDAY. THE "ASAHI SHIMBUN" REPORTS FROM ROME THAT FIELD-MARSHAL GOERING, THE NAZI AIR MINISTER, IS EXPECTED IN THE ITALIAN CAPITAL ON NOV. 7 IN AN ENDEAVOUR TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER MUSSOLINI WILL UNDERTAKE MEDIATION UNDER CLAUSES ONE AND TWO OF THE ITALO-GERMAN MILITARY ALLIANCE.

If Mussolini refuses, Field-Marshal Goering is expected to sound out the Italian viewpoint regarding the invocation of clause three in the agreement.—Reuter.

ITALY TO CONSERVE FORCES FOR "TO-MORROW"

Rome, Yesterday.

Signor Mussolini spoke briefly in Rome to-day at the celebrations in connection with the anniversary of the Italian victory over Austria at Vittorio Venetia in the Great War.

Il Duce declared: "The memory of what we have accomplished spurs us on in faith in the destiny of the fatherland."

"We are strong militarily and will conserve our forces for to-morrow." Although Signor Mussolini only spoke for two minutes he appeared seven times on the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia in response to the plaudits of a crowd of at least 50,000.—Reuter.

HURRICANE HAVOC

Kingstown, Yesterday. Great damage has been done in Jamaica by a hurricane which passed near the island in the last few days.

Over 1,000,000 banana trees have been blown down and roads and houses are badly damaged.—Reuter.

AMERICA GALVANISED

Startling Change On Lifting Of Embargo

Shipping Lines Swap

New York, Yesterday.

NEW YORK'S WATERFRONT rumbled to-day with a long line of big 10-wheeled lorries bringing to the city's wharves all sorts of wartime supplies for shipment to the Allies, following the approval of the Neutrality Bill.

Following the signature of the Bill, Britain and France—and, theoretically, Germany too—are able to buy arms in the United States providing they pay cash and transport them in their own ships.

The passing of the Bill into law has given the signal for the Allies to begin shipping across the Atlantic some 300 aeroplanes which have already been completed in American factories since the arms embargo was proclaimed. Many are in New York awaiting shipment.

In the meanwhile, the Department of State expects to re-issue nearly 230,000,000 sterling's worth of arms export licences to Britain and France.

It is anticipated that orders for war equipment amounting to some thousand million dollars in value will be placed in the United States within the next few weeks.

POLICE WATCH

Strong detachments of police are patrolling New York's pier-shed doors, which open and close quickly when lorries carrying supplies of war equipment arrive.

Fleeting glances inside the sheds

disclose massive crates filled high to the rafters.

United States maritime officials are trying to avoid a recurrence of the congestion experienced in the Great War, when the wharves were swamped with cargo but with no ships to load it.

British shipping officials in New York acknowledge that they have a "good deal more freight than ships."

SWAPPING PLAN

Meanwhile, a last-minute "swapping" arrangement between British and American lines, whereby the British withdraw their vessels from the South American trade and turn over the business to American ships, is expected to serve a double purpose, enabling more British ships to carry war material across the Atlantic, and saving the United States merchant marine from virtual idleness.—Reuter.

AMERICA'S PLAIN TALK TO JAPAN

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The United States Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Grew, had a lengthy interview with the Foreign Minister, Admiral Nomura, to-day.

Mr. Grew is reported to have made representations similar to his public speech on Oct. 19, with the addition of specific cases.

The conversation, it is learned, was purely informal, but covered the whole field of Japanese-American relations in a constructive manner.—Reuter.

POLICY IN CHINA

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Premier, General Abe, went to the Palace at 11 o'clock this morning and made a detailed report to the Emperor upon the Government's policy for coordination of Sino-Japanese relations as reached by the China Affairs Board conference on November 1.—Reuter.

LITTLE ACTIVITY ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, Yesterday.

There has been little activity on the Western Front.

Last night's French communiqué speaks of a few encounters between contact units, while the German communiqué says that there has been feeble artillery fire and some reconnaissance work.—Reuter.

This morning's war communiqué states that patrol activity took place at various points on the front.—Reuter.

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TERRIBLE PICTURE OF RUINS THAT WERE WARSAW

Rome, Yesterday.

A TERRIBLE PICTURE of conditions in the ruined city of Warsaw is painted by the Vatican newspaper "Osservatore Romano."

The journal says that three-quarters of the buildings have been razed by bombardment and air bombing.

The streets are still mainly impassable and there is a serious water shortage.

Over 15,000 injured are in makeshift hospitals and there is a shortage of doctors.

Many bodies still lie under the wreckage, and there is a risk of epidemics.

The health of the German troops has been affected, and the Nazis are even considering evacuation of the city.—Reuter.

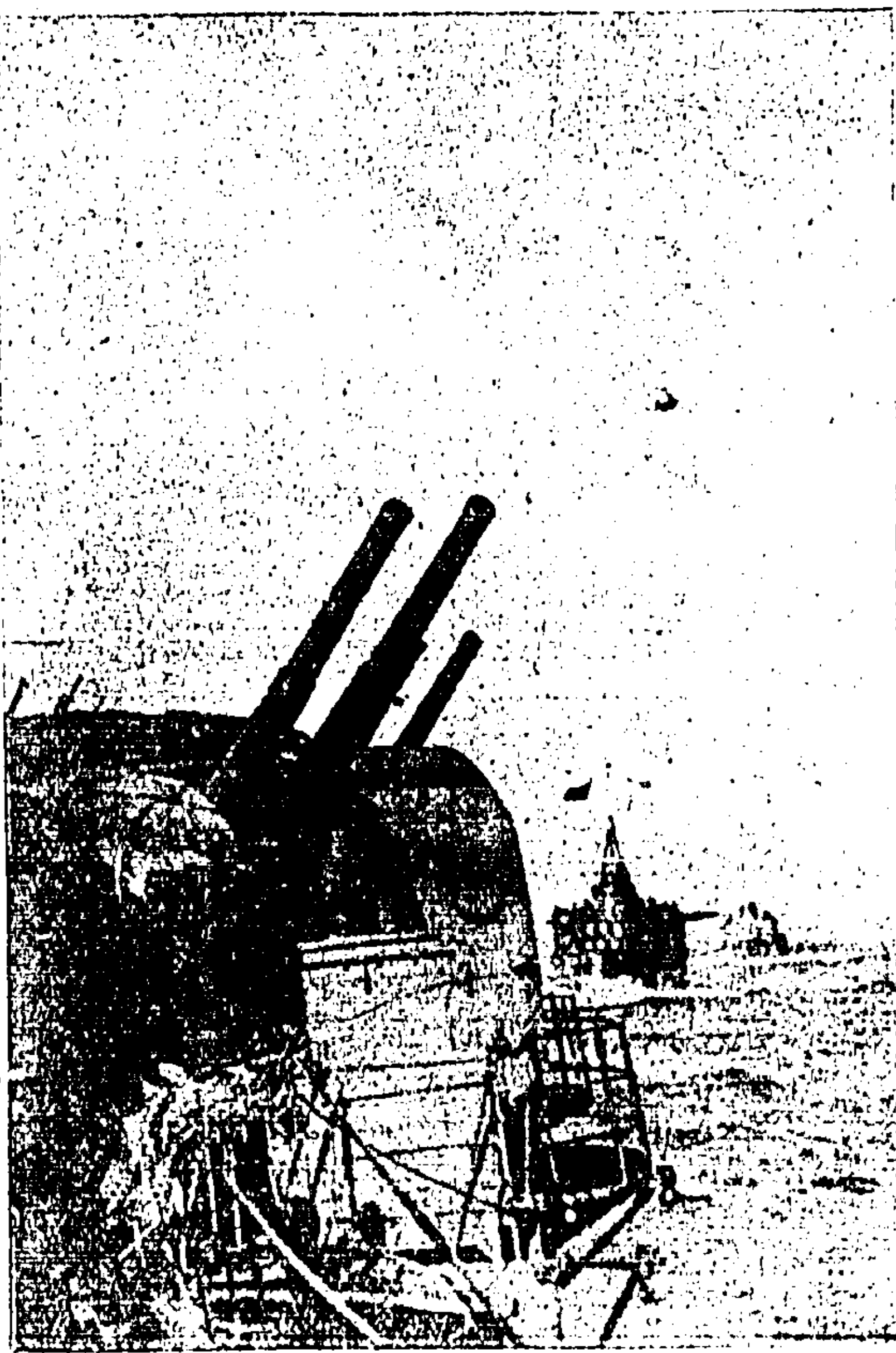
DANISH STEAMER BLOWN UP

London, Yesterday.

A Danish steamer sank after an explosion to-day.

After the explosion the vessel was anchored and 40 of the crew took to the boats, being picked by fishing vessels.

A lifeboat from the shore stood by and later took off 14 remaining members of the crew.—Reuter.



Twelve German warplanes recently swooped down on a convoy of British Merchant ships under Naval escort. It was the first experiment in an air attack on a ship convoy and it ended in swift disaster for the attackers. Photo shows a striking picture demonstrating Britain's naval supremacy. British warships with guns bared ready for action provide an invincible guard for the Merchant vessels in the North Sea. (Copyright, By Air Mail, Passed by the Censor.)

FRENCH FREIGHTER TORPEDOED

London, Yesterday.

A 5,874-ton French freighter was sunk by a German submarine in the North Atlantic to-day.

Thirty-three of the crew have been safely landed at a French port, but two were killed in the explosion and 11 are missing.

In England to-day, the bodies of five German sailors were washed up at different points on the Kent coast.

The five sailors were wearing escape apparatus and lifebelts. The bodies had not been in the sea long, and it is assumed the men had tried to escape from a disabled submarine.—Reuter.

LEAGUE SHIES AT RISK OF MEETING

(Special to the "Sunday Herald")

Geneva, Yesterday.

ACCORDING TO WELL-INFORMED circles in Geneva, the Secretariat of the League of Nations has decided to cancel the meeting of the Council of the League, which was previously scheduled to be held on December 12.

This decision, according to these circles, is due to fears in Geneva that the holding of such a meeting under the present circumstances might induce some members of the League to extend the debates to questions which are not included on the agenda.

"This, it is felt, would thereby entail unnecessary complications."

Various administrative questions which should have come up at the meeting will be settled "through other channels" without either the Council or the Assembly being convened.—Havas.

DANGER FORESEEN

Washington, Yesterday.

Foreseeing the flood of armaments orders from Britain and France, the Government to-day formed a priority commission, whose function it will be to see that the orders do not interfere with the United States defence programme.

The commission will advise the British and French Governments how to distribute their orders so that they will not conflict with United States Government orders.—Reuter.

CRISIS HOURS IN FINNISH TALKS

Moscow, Yesterday.

The critical stage in the Soviet-Finnish discussions has now been reached, and the Finnish counter-proposals are at present under discussion by the Kremlin.

So far there is no news as to these proposals and the Soviet reaction to them.

Stalin was not present at last night's meeting with the Finnish delegates, which lasted only an hour.

It is reported that the Finnish counter-proposals represent that country's last word.—Reuter.

M. ERKKO'S FIRM LANGUAGE

Copenhagen, Yesterday.

Versions of the interview given by M. Erkkö, the Finnish Foreign Minister, reaching here from Helsinki include the statement: "The Russians cannot expect 100 per cent. fulfilment of their demands."

"Some things we cannot discuss. We cannot wait indefinitely for a reply, and if this is not forthcoming shortly the Finnish delegation will return."—Reuter.

NO REPLY YET

Moscow, Yesterday.

The Soviet-Finnish negotiations continued until an early hour this morning.

So far the Russians have not replied to the Finnish counter-proposals.

It is reported that the negotiations are expected to continue to-day.—Reuter.

TALKS RESUMED

Moscow, Yesterday.

The Finnish delegates resumed the conversations with Soviet representatives at 4 o'clock this afternoon.—Reuter.

LATEST AIR CASUALTY LIST

London, Yesterday.

The Air Ministry has issued, with regret, its eighth casualty list, on which the following casualties appear: Killed in action, 7; killed on active service, 16; missing believed killed, 1; died on active service, 2; previously reported died from wounds received in action, 1; previously reported missing, believed killed; now reported killed in action, 2; previously reported missing, now reported killed in action, 2.—British Wireless.

United Provinces and Madras.—Reuter.

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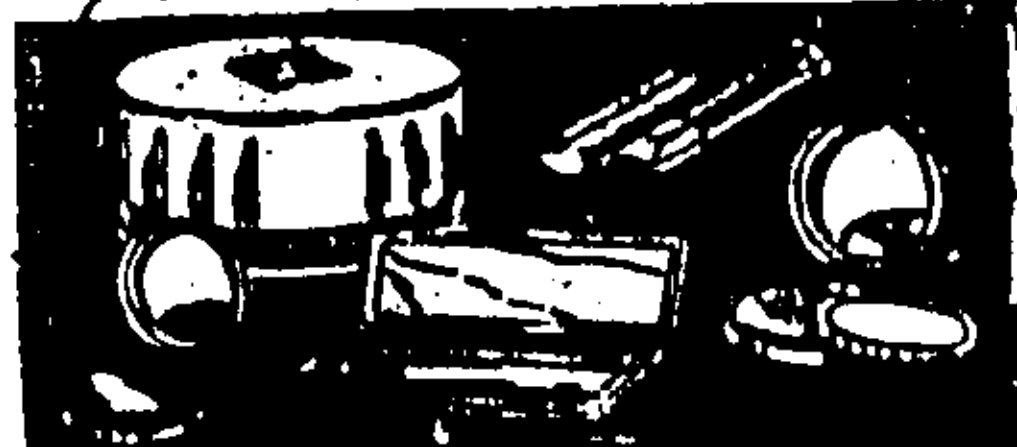
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With hair styles specially designed to suit their own individuality. From left: Misses Leck, Brereton, Grieg, and Vasey.

Study Your Face

Are you tired of your own face? Does the monotony of your own appearance make you sink into a sea of despondency? It does? Well, your salvation lies with yourself — and your hairdresser.

THE importance of hair styles is realised by every movie company. In Australia, the skill of Jenn Edwards, the attractive young

studio dresser, has been responsible for the screen success of many players. "The face is too round," says Director Ken Hall. "Give it more length, Jenn."

With a sweep of her comb, Jenn begins the transformation. The brow is revealed; curls sweep up from the temples, showing the delicate bone formation of the jaw-line; the small features gain a new



The same girls (in the same order) photographed before they had their hair treated.

importance. No longer are they dwarfed by masses of hair hanging at shoulder length each side of the face.

Jenn Edwards has a great admiration for the hair-sense of Sydney girls. During the reception scene in the new Will Mahoney comedy, tentatively titled "Come Up Smiling," some of Sydney's loveliest girls played small roles.

Elaine Vasey, a tall, slender girl in a white satin moulded frock and a little lace bolero, moved across the set.

"Elaine," said Jenn, "is the classical type. Her clear-cut, regular features and well-poised head are perfect for sculptured curls. When she first came to Cinesound she wore her hair parted on the side and swept into a hard roll at the back of her neck. She soon realised that pictorially this was unsuitable. Her changed hair style has given her added distinction and stressed her classical beauty."

"Thelma Grieg" is another girl who has completely altered her

type. She used a centre parting with a long, waved bob when she first came to Cinesound. Now Thelma looks the perfect Edwardian girl. The soft fringe and piled curls show the delicacy of her features and reveal her rather old-world charm. She is amazingly different.

"One of the cleverest girls at studying her own type is Jenny Brereton. Jenny is piquant, and her cute rolls, curling in the centre of her forehead, seem to give an added gaiety to her personality. "Frene Leck is one of the most natural girls on the set. Her centre parting, with the deep waves pushed upwards with the aid of two tiny combs, and the soft-curved freshness and charm of her sunny personality. She is a typical outdoor Australian girl."

"So, there you have four distinct types, and every girl of that four has given careful thought to her screen appearance by realising that her hair can make her photographically right."

HEAVY SOCKS FOR MEN
East To Knit, Warm To Wear

WITH TROOPS overseas facing a winter in the trenches, warm socks will be needed as they were in the Great War.

Then, however, some of the socks so industriously knitted were made with legs to fit a giant and feet to fit a baby!

But this pattern will be found a good one for all knitters whether beginners or experts.

Materials: 5oz of 5-ply mixture wool; 4 No. 13 needles, pointed both ends.

The directions are for 10 and 11 inch foot measurements.

Tension: About 9 stitches to 1 inch.

Cast on 84 stitches, 23 stitches on each of the three needles.

Work in a rib of 1 plain, 1 purl for 4½ inches.

Then work 7 more inches in stocking-stitch (plain knitting), making a total length of 11½ inches to top of heel.

To commence heel, knit the first 20 stitches of round, slip the last 22 stitches of this round on to the end of this same needle.

These 42 stitches are for the heel.

Divide the instep stitches on to two needles and leave.

Knit in alternate rows of purl and plain (slipping the first stitch of every row) on the heel stitches for 41 rows, ending on a purl row.

To turn the heel:

1st row: Slip 1, knit 25, knit 2 together, turn.

2nd row: Slip 1, purl 10, purl 2 together, turn.

3rd row: Slip 1, knit 11, knit 2 together, turn.

4th row: Slip 1, purl 12, purl 2 together, turn.

5th row: Slip 1, knit 13, knit 2 together, turn.

6th row: Slip 1, purl 14, purl 2 together, turn.

7th row: Slip 1, knit 15, knit 2 together, turn.

8th row: Slip 1, purl 16, purl 2 together, turn.

Continue to work in this way to the 16th row and all the stitches have been knitted up.

17th row: Slip 1, knit 12.

This completes the heel.

Slip all the instep stitches on to one needle.

With a spare needle knit the last 13 stitches of heel and knit up 21 stitches from the side of heel on the same needle.

With a second needle knit the instep stitches; with a third needle knit up 21 stitches from the second side of heel and the other 13 heel stitches.

Work 1 round of plain knitting.

2nd round: First needle, knit to the last 5 stitches, knit 2 together, knit 1; 2nd needle, knit 3rd needle, knit 1, knit 2 together, knit to end of needle.

Repeat these two rounds until the stitches are reduced to 21 on each of the first and third needles.

Continue without further shaping until the foot measures (from the side of the heel), 6½ inches for a 10-inch foot, 7½ inches for a 11-inch foot.

Then shape the toe. Slip 3 stitches from each end of the second needle and place on the first and third needles.

1st round: Knit 2 together every 11th and 12th stitch.

Knit 2 rounds without shaping and also after each of the following rounds.

4th round: Knit 2 together every 10th and 11th stitch.

7th round: Knit 2 together every 9th and 10th stitch.

10th round: Knit 2 together every 8th and 9th stitch.

13th round: Knit 2 together every 7th and 8th stitch.

16th round: Knit 2 together every 6th and 7th stitch.

19th round: Knit 2 together every 5th and 6th stitch.

22nd round: Knit 2 together every 4th and 5th stitch.

25th round: Knit 2 together every 3rd and 4th stitch.

28th round: Knit 2 together every 2nd and 3rd stitch.

Run a thread through all the remaining 14 stitches, and draw up not too tightly, and fasten off securely.

Press light with a warm iron over a damp cloth.

FOR OILY DRY HAIR

If your skin is exceptionally oily, and is of a tough variety which can stand any amount of treatments, you will find that the following is excellent. Carry out all the above, but after the benzoin rinse do not dry the face. Instead, add together two tablespoonfuls of boracic acid and one-eighth of a teaspoonful of powdered alum, and while the face is still wet dust this lightly over the skin. Allow it to remain on for five minutes and then remove with warm water only. This treatment should not be carried out more often than once a week.

Dry hair is just as much trouble as oily hair, but it is much more responsive to treatment. It is no longer necessary to use messy oil packs. In these days hair vitamin reconditioning creams can be purchased quite cheaply, and they have the decided advantage that they are not greasy, and they can be rinsed from the hair without the slightest trouble.



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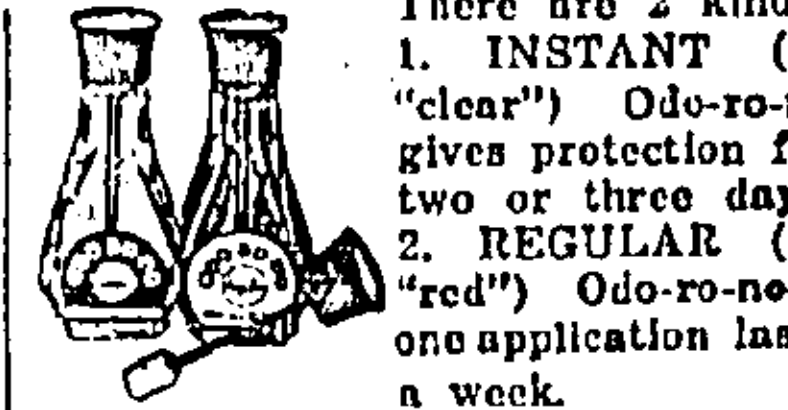
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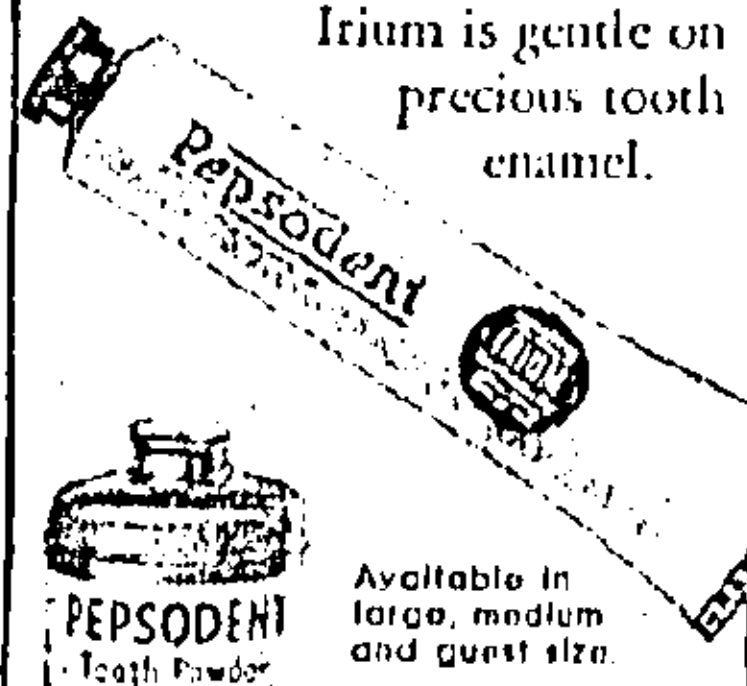
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WE MUST HAVE A JUST PEACE

OFTEN in the recent past I have found myself in sharp disagreement with Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister.

Publicly and privately I have criticised and condemned his acts and his policy.

I cannot therefore be taxed with partiality if I say that his definition of what would be a just peace strikes me as the best any man could now frame. In his statement to the House of Commons he said:—

We seek no material advantage for ourselves; we desire nothing from the German people which should offend their self-respect. We are not aiming only at victory, but rather looking beyond it to the laying of a foundation of a better international system which will mean that war is not to be the inevitable lot of every succeeding generation.

It is well that this should have been placed on record before the war—which may become so destructive as to arouse bitter passions and vindictive thoughts—enters a more violent phase in the West. Well do I remember how hatred grew and feelings were inflamed as the war of 1914-1918 devastated wide regions of Europe,

wrecked prosperous cities and cost millions of lives.

What might have been a just peace, had German and Austro-Hungarian aggression been overcome by the end of 1914, became so inadequate as to seem ridiculous, even to the people of the United States, by the

beginning of 1918. And when the British Prime Minister, Mr. Lloyd George, presented the Treaty of Versailles to the House of Commons in the summer of 1919 he called it, amid loud applause, "stern but just."

Declares Mr. Wickham Steed

Much evil has been spoken and written of the Versailles Treaty, especially by those who have never read it. During the whole long process of drafting it I was in Paris, and often protested publicly against its imperfections. But in comparison with the treaties of Brest-Litovsk and of Bucharest, which Germany had dictated fifteen months earlier to a beaten Russia and a beaten Roumania, the Versailles Treaty could be called "just" as well as stern.

It set free from alien rule 80,000,000 out of 100,000,000 people in Europe; and it contained, as its first 26 Articles, the Covenant of the League of Nations which seemed to promise a method of peaceful redress for injustices, and what Mr. Neville Chamberlain now looks forward to—the foundation of a better international system which will mean that war is not to be the inevitable lot of every succeeding generation.

We have to begin again, and to succeed where we failed at Versailles and after. Does our failure mean that we attempted the impossible? Assuredly not. The "impossible" of one generation becomes the achievement of the next.

In my youth the successive failure of many Polar expeditions led men to say that neither the North Pole nor the South would ever be reached. My own father assured me that no flying machine ever would or could be made. The internal combustion engine proved him wrong within 20 years. Now lessness is guilty of an indictable offence.

What, then, should be the main terms of a just peace? This war began with Hitler's assault on Poland. No peace can be just that does not fulfil one condition of the Armistice of November, 11, 1918, which Imperial Ger-

many invoked and accepted in advance. It ran:

An independent Polish State should be erected which should include the territories inhabited by indisputable Polish populations, which should be assured of free and secure access to the sea, and whose political and economic independence and territorial integrity should be guaranteed by international covenant.

Nor can any peace be just that does not restore freedom to the Czechoslovaks, or give the Austrians a right to choose the future form and associations of their own State. If lawless aggression is to be ruled out in future—since it is violent injustice in action—no just peace can accept or condone the fruits of the Hitlerite aggressions that brought on this war.

Justice to the smaller nations in Europe demands also that they shall be freed from the fear that they, too, may become the victims of aggression, German or other.

It demands likewise that the peoples and races of Germany shall be given an opening to join as equals in the life of a Europe so firmly organised for peace that no would-be warmaker could hope to triumph.

This, I take it, is what the Prime Minister meant by the "foundation of a better international system," and by saying "it is no part of our policy to exclude from her rightful place in Europe a Germany which will live in amity and confidence with other nations."

How, in justice, can this "better international system" be founded? I have long held that the only basis on which it can and should be built up is that of the English Common Law which has for centuries been the foundation of peace and order.

The underlying principle of this Common Law is that individual freedom—which means individual sovereignty—must go hand in hand with individual responsibility for collective justice and peace.

Any Englishman who falls to give his personal support to the guardians of the Law when they have to restrain or to suppress lawlessness is guilty of an indictable offence.

He cannot lawfully be neutral between the Law and lawbreakers. As one of the greatest of English judges, the late Lord Parker of Waddington, reminded the House of Lords on March 19, 1918, "murders would increase if the murderer could count upon the neutrality of the bystanders, and it is the same with war. The neutral, in fact, shirks his share

of the burden of humanity."

We must have a just peace.

This does not mean a cast-iron, stereotyped peace of which no jot or tittle can be changed save by force.

It means a peace of growth, of helpfulness, of creative brotherliness among free peoples.

Such a peace can only be founded upon the sacrifice of national neutrality and sovereignty in whatever degree may be necessary to ensure that armed Might shall not be Right; and that pending fair enquiry into and righteous settlement of just grievances, the law of warlessness shall be upheld by every member of a community of nations.

Without such a basis for a just peace this war, like that of 1914-1918, would again resemble one of the Polar expeditions that failed to reach the Pole.

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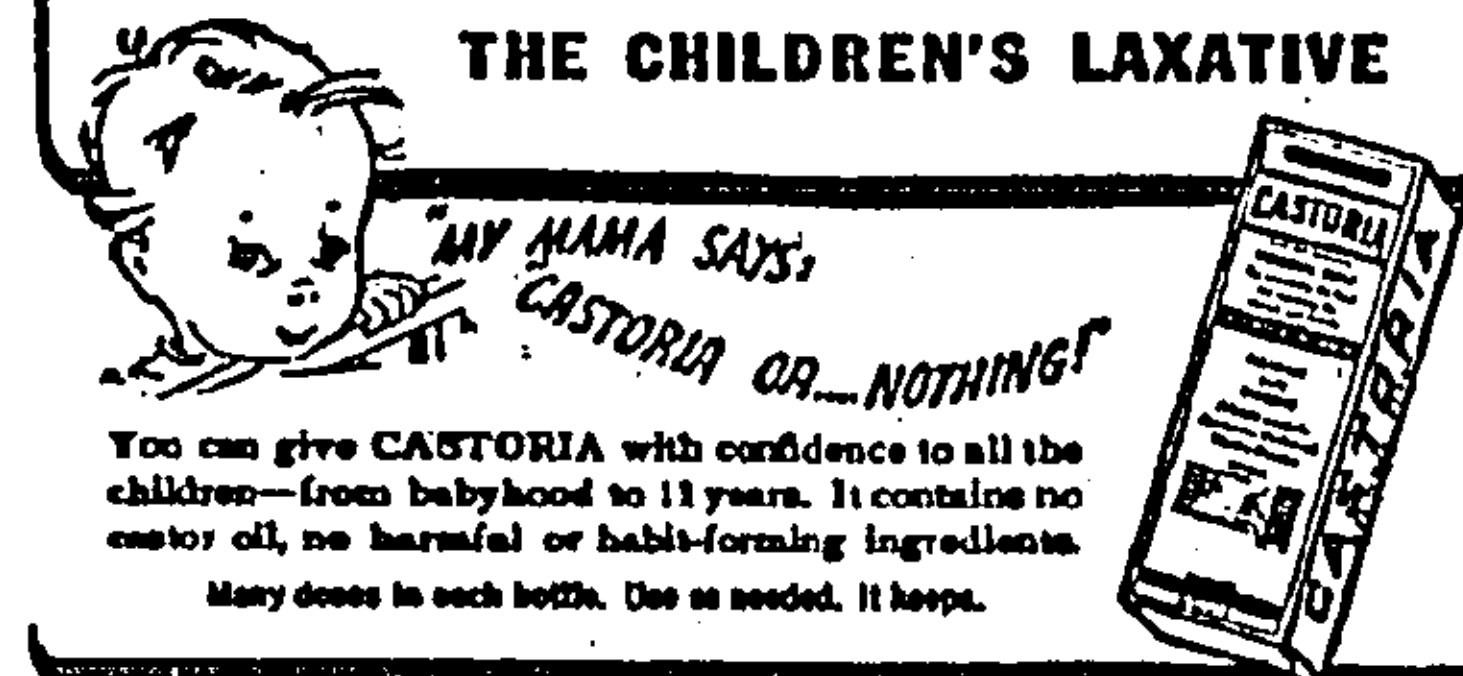


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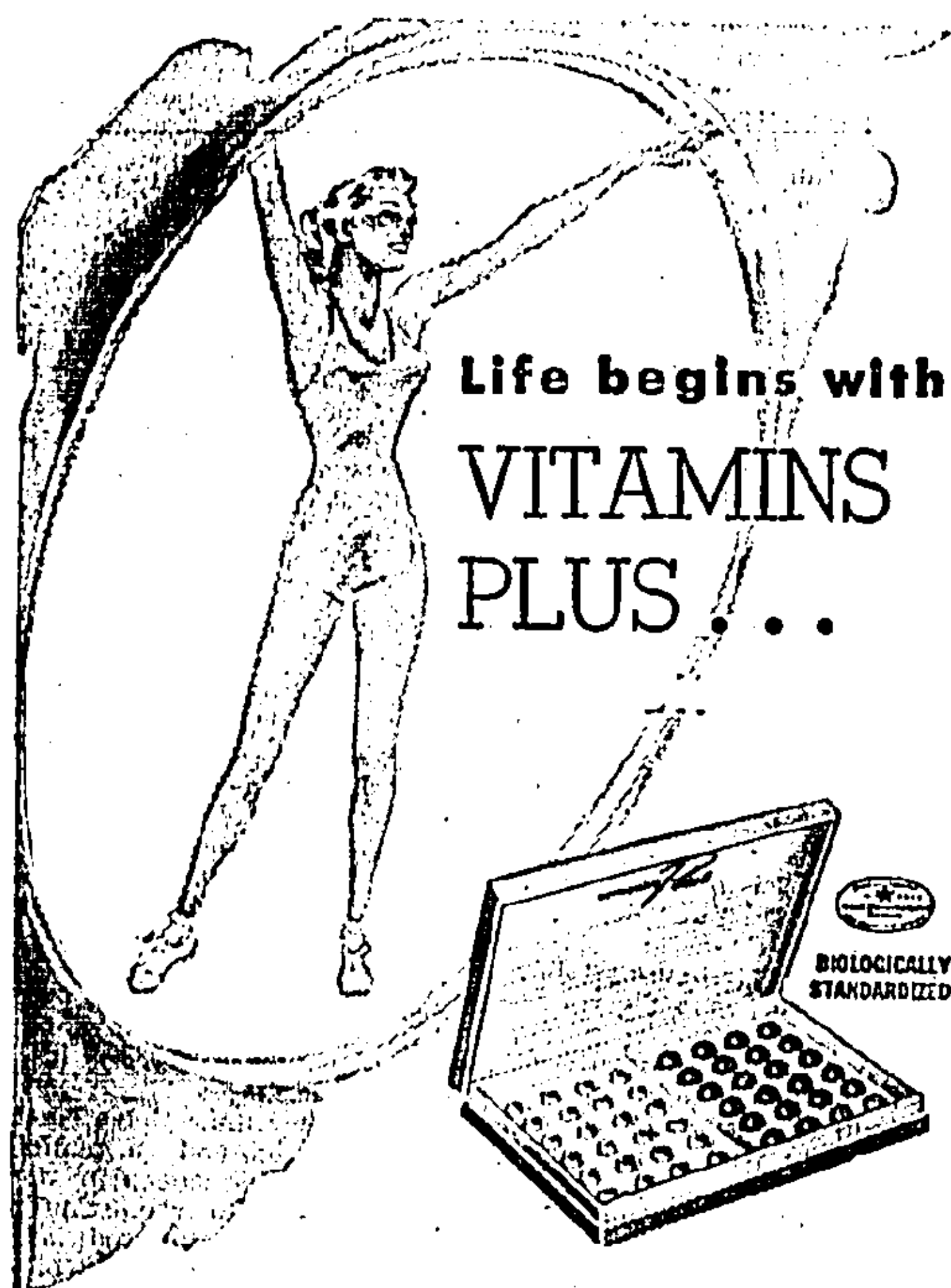
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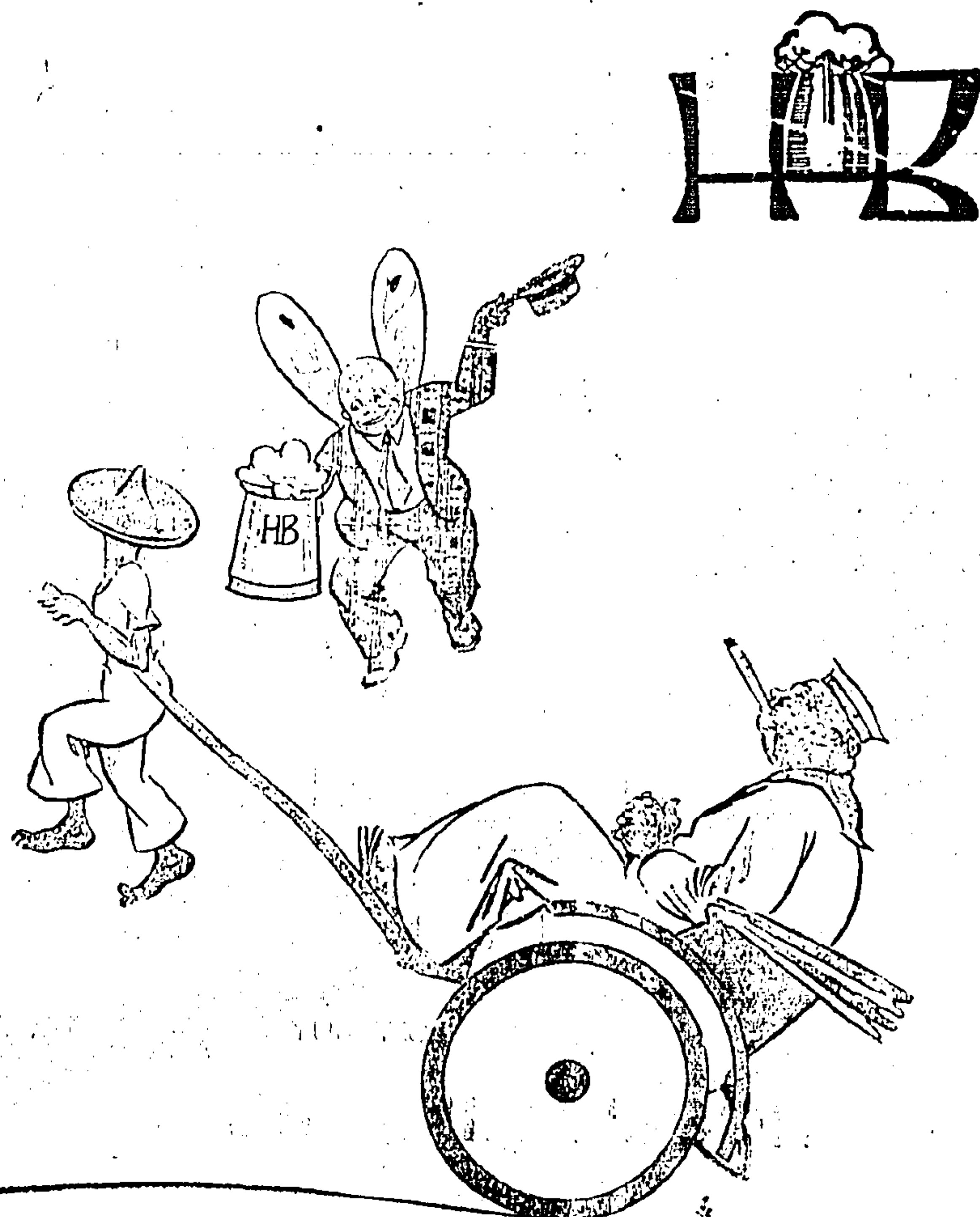


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CITY OF FLINT DRAMA

Prize Crew Interned By Norwegians In Sight Of Success

EFFECT OF BRITAIN'S 'BLOCKADE'

London, Yesterday. Among materials for munitions and war supplies seized by the Contraband Control are 6,000 tons of pyrites, 2,500 tons of sulphur and 75,000 tons of fertiliser and fats.

The Control has also seized large quantities of jute and fibres (used for sandbags), leather and hides (for saddles and equipment) and cotton and wool (for uniforms).

Food seized included 2,000 tons of wheat, 4,000 tons of coffee, 2,000 tons for other foods. The seizure of this, despite Nazi protests, is quite justified, for "an army marches on its stomach."

Seizures also include 61,500 tons of iron ore, 38,000 tons of manganese ore and 21,000 tons of aluminium and bauxite.

ALLEGATION REFUTED

Refuting Nazi allegations of the mass seizures of food supplies for herself and neutrals, only 8,500 tons of wheat and other food-stuffs were seized.

Against this were 11,000 tons of copper, copper ore, tin and lead; 14,000 tons of oil and fats for military use; 10,000 tons of oil-seeds; and 50,000 tons of materials easily converted to military use. — Reuters.

WATERLOO BRIDGE

London, Yesterday. It is stated that provided war contingencies do not interfere with supplies, the new Waterloo Bridge will be open next June.

Work has been proceeding for two years and although the war has caused difficulty in obtaining steel and timber, supplies are now improving.

Many men have left for national service but new men have now been taken on and 450 are working on the bridge to bring it into use as speedily as possible.

The carriage-way will accommodate six times of traffic and navigation on the river will be greatly facilitated by the wide spans of the bridge. Construction is in reinforced concrete, faced with Portland stone and granite. — British Wire- less.

CANADA TO GET ORDERS

Ottawa, Yesterday. It is officially stated that the United States Neutrality Bill will not affect the work of the British



GERMAN LABOUR CORPS AT WORK. Men of the German Labour Corps demolishing the railway bridge near Thorn on the German-Dutch frontier which was blown up recently. (By Air Mail. Copyright.)

A NEUTRAL LOOKS AT THE WAR

PROFOUND NAZI MISTAKES

Valparaiso, Yesterday. SENOR AUGUSTIN EDWARDS, former Chilean Ambassador to Britain and an ex-President of the League Council, made a statement on the war to-day on his return to Chile from a visit to France.

He said the Germans made the mistake of imagining that France may eventually become weary and prefer peace to the sacrifice of a long struggle.

This, he declared, was a profound psychological error.

The Germans completely misunderstood France, which would fight for liberty with full understanding of what liberty was worth.

It was a chimerical hope of the Nazis to separate France and Britain. Each of the Allies knew

that separation from the other would mean their own downfall.

NATIONS TOGETHER

M. Daladier and Mr. Chamberlain might disappear but the two nations would stand together.

Another German mistake was when they thought the Soviet-German alliance would frighten the Allies.

This alliance, said Mr. Edwards, held for Germany, as for all Europe, days of uncertainty. — Reuters.

STRANGE END TO A STRANGER STORY

Oslo, Yesterday.

THE GERMAN PRIZE CREW on board the City of Flint have been interned, according to an announcement by the Norwegian Admiralty. The steamer has been handed over to the American crew who are still on board.

The Norwegian Admiralty statement says that there was no valid reason for the City of Flint's call, and it was therefore decided that the ship be released and the German prize crew interned.

The commander of the German prize crew asked permission to land a sick American seaman, and a doctor was sent on board who reported that the man was not ill enough to justify the City of Flint anchoring.

In spite of the doctor's report the ship did anchor and Norway decided to take action under international law.

The German news agency reports the development without comment, but officials in Berlin said they had received no official report and appear to be taken completely by surprise.

OFF HAUGESUND

The steamer anchored off Haugesund, between Bergen and Stavanger, within Norwegian territorial waters. Berlin intended that she should be taken to the German port of Sletting, where she was expected to arrive on Sunday. — Reuters.

GERMANY LODGES A PROTEST

Berlin, Yesterday. Announcing the German protest to Norway the official news agency states that the commander of the prize crew put into Haugesund for medical treatment for one of the American crew.

The action of the German commander, it is contended, was in accordance with the wishes of President Roosevelt, who asked Britain and Germany to treat the American crew with the greatest consideration.

"Despite all the German commander's arguments, the Norwegian officials interpreted the regulations in the sense that they were entitled to intern the German crew and release the vessel." — Reuters.

TO SAIL FOR ENGLAND

Oslo, Yesterday. The City of Flint is now in Bergen, and she will later proceed, possibly, to Scotland.

Meanwhile the United States Minister to Norway said the release of the steamer would be greeted with the greatest satisfaction in America. — Reuters.

A Nazi Foreign Office spokesman stated: "The Norwegian action, to use a very mild expression, was unfair." — Reuters.

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PROTEST INSTRUCTION

Oslo, Yesterday. The German diplomatic representative has been instructed to protest to Norway against the City of Flint developments. — Reuters.

"STORMY OUT THERE"

Oslo, Yesterday. A Norwegian spokesman said to-day that while Norway was naturally concerned over the German reaction to the City of Flint developments, Norway could not permit the continued violation of her neutrality.

In Berlin, the Wilhelmstrasse considers that the commander of the Nazi prize crew was "the victim of his own humanitarianism."

The Norwegian spokesman in Oslo, asked if he thought the City of Flint would be seized a second time, said: "Well, it's rather stormy out there just now!" — Reuters.

FLYING U. S. FLAG

Washington, Yesterday. The United States Minister to Norway has informed the State De-

NO WASTE OF TIME

New York, Yesterday.

The docks are resounding to the rumbling of long lines of lorries laden with all kinds of war materials already contracted for with Britain and France.

The "New York Times" says that at least \$114,000,000 in orders has been placed by British and French agents in anticipation of repeal of the arms embargo.

British steamship companies here say: "We have more freight than ships!" — Reuters.

ment that the City of Flint is now flying the American flag. — Reuters.

AMERICAN RELIEF

Washington, Yesterday. Officials express relief over the release of the City of Flint.

It is unofficially pointed out that Norway's action coincides with the United States interpretation of international law and the statements to the Soviet Union while she was detained at Murmansk. — Reuters.

NORWEGIAN NAVAL ACTION

Copenhagen, Yesterday. According to information received here a party from the crews of the two Norwegian warships accompanying the City of Flint boarded the American steamer and seized the German crew for internment. — Reuters.

ADMIRALTY STATEMENT

Oslo, Yesterday. The Norwegian Admiralty statement says: "The American vessel City of Flint, with a German prize crew on board, had been granted permission to use Norwegian territorial waters along the coast from Tromsø."

"The City of Flint arrived at Haugesund on Friday afternoon with two Norwegian warships, and anchored without permission. "No valid reason existing for the vessel to call at a Norwegian port, the Norwegian authorities decided that she should be released and the German crew interned." — Reuters.

MR. HUGH GUTHRIE PASSES

Ottawa, Yesterday. The death has occurred of Mr. Hugh Guthrie, former Canadian Minister of Defence. — Reuters.

AUSTRALIA ANSWERS NAZI PROPAGANDA

Canberra, Yesterday.

THE AUSTRALIAN PREMIER, Mr. Menzies, to-day replied to Nazi radio allegations that Australia is not sending air squadrons to Britain owing to increased opposition in the Dominion to the war.

Mr. Menzies said: "The Germans are becoming victims of their own propaganda."

"The proposal to send our air squadrons to Britain was dropped as a decision was reached that the Canadian air proposals would be more effective."

"These proposals involve a 10 per cent. increase in Australia's participation in the war."

BRITAIN'S SUGGESTION In London to-day it was stated that Britain suggested a temporary change in the plans to Australia.

Britain's idea was that the air squadrons would be withheld so that Australia could use the experience of the crews to train their own pilots. — Reuters.



THE CHURCHILL SPIRIT IN THE NAVY. Jolly Jack Tar, home on leave, always has a right Royal time, especially when there's a war on. These two sailor lads have adopted the Churchill spirit towards the war—even so far as smoking cigars. (Copyright, By Air Mail.)

HERTZOG COMES OUT IN CHALLENGE TO GEN. SMUTS

Capetown, Yesterday.

GENERAL HERTZOG, former Premier and an opponent of General Smuts, to-day made a speech to his own constituents at Smithfield, Orange Free State. General Hertzog said he had assumed the leadership of the opposition and aimed at setting up what he called a reconstituted Afrikaanderdom.

He was co-operating with Dr. Malan and the Nationalist Party which had agreed to serve under him.

General Hertzog attacked General Smuts, whom he again accused of being a British jingo.

The Premier, he said, had severely strained relations between the English-speaking and Afrikaans-speaking sections in South Africa.

However he still believed that an Afrikaander nation could be built up from the two sections.

AS YET He considered that the ties with the Commonwealth had been strained by the decision to declare war on Germany.

As yet, he did not wish to be classed with those who wanted to break all ties with Britain.

In the South African Parliament, General Smuts has 35 seats (the United Party and the Labour Party), and the Opposition 67 (General Hertzog and the Nationalists who have now joined his group).

The Government is confident of the support of a large proportion of the Afrikaans-speaking population as well as the full English-speaking community. — Reuters.

MIGRATION OF JEWS COMPELLED

Amsterdam, Yesterday.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraaf" says that the Nazis intend to remove 22,000 Jews from Katowice, in southern Poland, to the district around Lublin, in the east.

Jews are allowed to take only essential clothes and three days food with them. The Nazis intend to house all Jews in the Lublin area, says the correspondent.

The Jews' former possessions are to be auctioned, and the proceeds will be devoted to the needs of those who remain behind. Germany hopes to complete the transfer within a year. — Reuters.

RAILWAYS RETURNING TO NORMAL

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

THE FIRST URGENT EMERGENCY DEMANDS ON TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND THE INCIDENCE OF A.R.P. REGULATIONS INVOLVED BRITISH RAILWAYS IN INEVITABLE DISLOCATION OF CERTAIN SERVICES, BUT RAPID PROGRESS IS BEING MADE IN RESTORING THEM TO NORMAL FUNCTIONING ONE BY ONE.

In the first weeks, it was found necessary to interrupt restaurant car services, but striking evidence of the resumed activity of the Catering Departments of the railways is contained in details of the number of meals served on railway lines and the amount of food consumed in the single week ended October 28, issued by the Railway Executive Committee.

Some 79,000 meals were served on railway trains. Supplies used included 7,240 lbs. of mutton, 5,044 lbs. of beef, 294 lbs. of bacon, 17,698 lbs. of potatoes, 1,070 lbs. of butter, 2,748 lbs. of sugar and 6,104 lbs. of eggs. These figures do not include the large quantities consumed in the hundreds of restaurants, tearooms and buffets at railway stations. — British Wire- less.

MORE GOLD IN CANADA

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

HALF-YEARLY RETURNS OF CANADA'S MINERAL OUTPUT EMPHASISE HOW VALUABLE A SOURCE OF SUPPLY THIS DOMINION WILL BE FOR THE ALLIES' MINERAL REQUIREMENTS.

The record standard of gold production attained in 1938 is likely to be surpassed.

Several new mines have since begun production and a number of companies have made plans for the enlargement of their existing plant. If the present rate of output is maintained for the remainder of 1939, Canada's gold production should pass the 5,000,000 ounce mark for the year.

The mineral output generally is 4.3 per cent. higher than over the same period of 1938 and metals as a group are valued at 5 per cent. higher. — British Wire- less.

BRITAIN'S FOOD NEEDS

London, To-day.

Britain will have an abundance of most of the food products she may require during the war.

This is the assurance which has emerged from the recent conferences held in Ottawa between Canadian ministers and various experts. The conference pledged the fullest co-operation of the Provinces in the production of essential food products to meet the needs of Britain and her Allies.

This year's Canadian wheat crop which, up to October 27 totalled 349,084,562 bushels, all of high grade, is one of the four largest in Canadian history. — British Wire- less.

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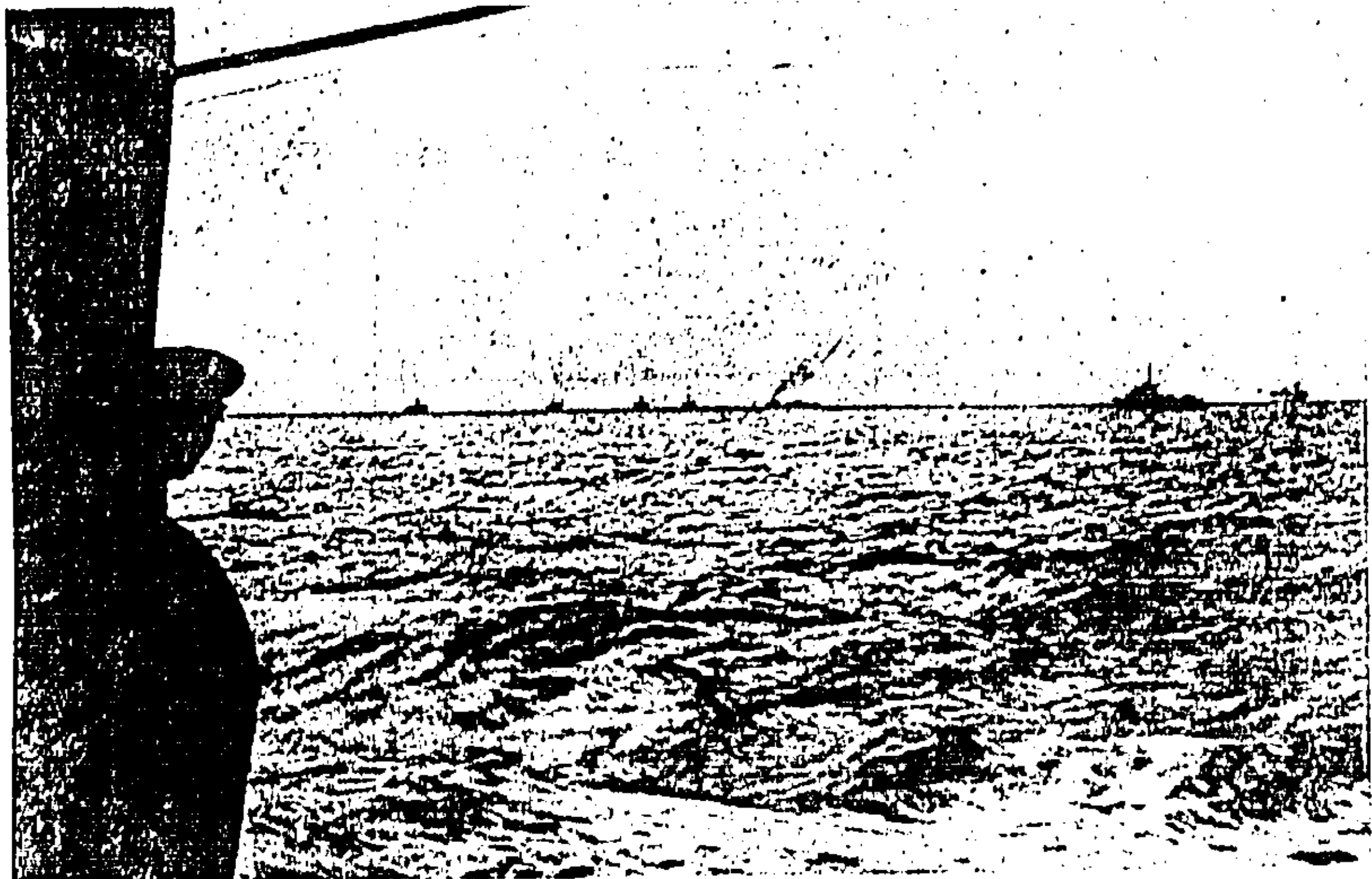
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SOVIET'S THREAT TO FINLAND

Important Concessions Made In Effort To Avoid A Conflict



Twelve German warplanes recently swooped down on a convoy of British Merchant ships under Naval escort. It was the first experiment in an air attack on a ship convoy and it ended in swift disaster for the attackers. They were met by intense gunfire from the escorting warships and attacked by Royal Air Force fighters. This picture, just received, shows a picture from one of the Naval escort warships guarding a convoy of Merchantmen in the North Sea. (Copyright, By Air Mail, Passed By The Censor).

M. ERKKO'S DISCLOSURES IN HELSINKI

Helsinki, Yesterday.

THE FINNISH FOREIGN Minister, M. Erkko, in an interview with foreign correspondents, described the Soviet's accusation that Finland was preparing for hostilities as unjustified. Finland had always shown a desire for peace and had gone as far as possible to meet the Soviet proposals.

Describing last evening's meeting in Moscow, M. Erkko said the Finnish delegates made counter-proposals and were now awaiting a reply. He added that about two-thirds of the Russian proposals had already been accepted in a modified and provisional form. — Reuter.

STALIN NOT PRESENT

Moscow, Yesterday. The Finnish delegation met the Soviet representatives in the Kremlin last night, but no statement was issued at the end of the hour's talk, nor was any hint given whether another meeting would be held. Stalin was not present. — Reuter.

FINNISH REPLY TO CHARGE

Helsingfors, Yesterday. The Finnish newspapers publish, side by side, M. Erko's speech and a translation of the article in the Soviet newspaper "Pravda", attacking Finland and her delegate to Moscow. Official circles say that, in his speech, he was referring to Finland's own powers and to not any foreign powers. Finland has no intention to use force except in defence. — Reuter.

OBVIOUSLY FALSE

Stockholm, Yesterday. Authoritative Swedish circles say that it is quite obvious that no such statements of the kind attributed by "Pravda" to M. Sandler could possibly be conceived coming from the Foreign Minister of Sweden. — Reuter.

EXCHANGE OF PEOPLE

London, Yesterday. Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia have agreed to an exchange of populations in those portions of Poland they have respectively occupied, according to reports from Berlin.

Germans in Russia and Russians in Germany may move across the dividing line if they wish, taking with them their movable belongings. Germany is also reported to be making plans for moving Poles from the Corridor into Western Poland. — Reuter.

CANADA'S SUPPORT

London, Yesterday. Britain whole-heartedly with the free decision of her sovereign Parliament, declared Canada's representative to the Cabinet Dominion Ministers' conference, during a broadcast last night. Since the last war, Canada had risen to a position of equality; the outbreak of this war showed no loosening of the bonds of unity. — Reuter.

GOERING TRIP DENIED

Berlin, Yesterday. The report in the "Popolo d'Italia" that General Goering would visit Rome next week was denied by General Goering's secretary last night. — Reuter.

COUNTERFEIT COIN CASE

At the request of Sub-Inspector R. Cunningham, Yeung Fat, 20, opium divan keeper, was remanded by Mr. K. Hingworth yesterday when charged with possession of 308 Straits Settlements counterfeit 20 cent coins.

GERMANY GROWING NERVOUS

London, Yesterday. Berlin correspondents report that opinion in Germany is becoming increasingly nervous as a result of the Soviet drive to the West. The Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm newspaper "Pravda" states that he has heard several Germans say they would like to volunteer for the Finnish Army to fight Russian expansion. — Reuter.

FOUR TAKEN PRISONER

Paris, Yesterday. A German officer and three men were taken prisoners in the Nazi plane brought down on Thursday by the R.A.F. in France. Two of the men were wounded.

They said that they crossed over the French Coast at Calais, after losing their way over the North Sea. Four R.A.F. fighters gave chase and although the German machine opened fire first, its engines were hit and put out of action.

The R.A.F. also went up after two other Nazi planes the same day and it is reported they shot one down over German territory. — Reuter.

ENGLISH SCALES

At Tuesday's meeting of the Urban Council, the Chairman will move: "That in exercise of the powers conferred by section 5 of the Public Health (Food) Ordinance, 1935, the Urban Council makes the following amendment of the by-laws under the sub-heading 'Market Stalls':"

35A. Every stall-holder, if called upon to do so, shall provide himself with a scale marked in English weights and shall weigh any goods purchased from him on such scale if requested by a customer to do so.

HUSBAND ACCUSED

A young Chinese girl, neatly dressed, walked into the Yaumati Charge Room early yesterday morning and alleged that she had been forced to practise prostitution by her husband, John Cunute Young, 29, Singapore-born Chinese.

As a result, Young was arrested, and appeared yesterday morning before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, charged with living on her earnings. Inspector Kelleet, in charge of the case, asked for a 48-hour remand, which was granted.

JULIANA CANAL CLOSED

Amsterdam, Yesterday. The Netherlands Government has ordered all canal and other boats to leave the Juliana Canal, which gives direct access to Germany. — Reuter.

RIGHTS OF RUSSIAN MINORITY

Bucharest, Yesterday. A decree authorizes the Russian minority in Rumania to be constituted as a community in order to develop its cultural, economic and social life. The Russian minority will have the same rights as other minorities. — Reuter.

SPECIAL BEER FOR TROOPS

London, Yesterday. Large quantities of food and materials are being sent to the British troops in France.

Already, 20,000,000 sandbags have crossed the Channel, and also large supplies of petrol. Two divisions consume 70,000 gallons of petrol a day, so that the 12,000,000 gallons seized by the Contraband Control will keep two divisions for 171 days.

Stevodore battalions of the Royal Engineers are being formed to handle discharge of cargoes for the Army. Special French beers are to be brewed for the British troops; they will be cheaper than the varieties usually seen in England. — Reuter.

PREMIER SEES KING

London, Yesterday. Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, had an audience with the King yesterday evening. — Reuter.

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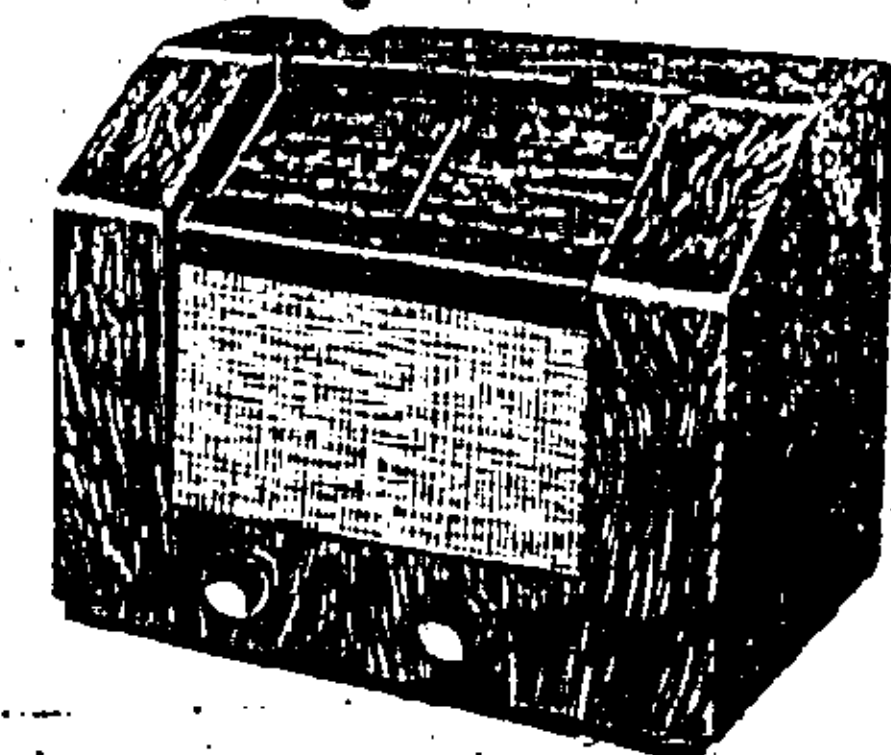
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SON OF WEALTHY CHINESE MISSING

The disappearance of the son of a wealthy Chinese in the Colony has completely baffled the Hong Kong Police.

So far, not a single clue has been found to work on.

The lad is the 17-year old son of Cheng Kwok-sang, brother of Cheng Kwok-yau.

The boy disappeared on September 7 last, a fact which was kept a close secret until yesterday.

It is learned that Cheng Chung-fer, the missing youth was keenly interested in wireless telegraphy and became very friendly with a radio mechanic who visited his home at No. 78, Morrison Hill Road.

On September 7, Cheng Chung-fer accompanied the mechanic and crossed to the mainland. He told his parents that he was going to see a radio set at the mechanic's friend's house.

Neither has been seen or heard of since.

The parents of the missing lad declare it to be most unlikely that the boy ran away into the interior.

One suggestion is that the boy has been kidnapped, but no ransom demand has been reported.

BUS CO.'S NEW H.Q.

The new premises of the Kowloon Motor-Bus Company, Limited, constructed near the junction of Castle Peak Road and Tai Po Road, is nearing completion.

The company will move in at the end of the month from the present premises in Nathan Road.

The company has recently ordered 40 new vehicles, including 20 small ones, which are expected to arrive shortly.

The new buses will replace old ones on different routes on the mainland.

STUDENT BUS TICKETS

A SCHEME TO PREVENT SCHOOL-CHILDREN FROM TRAVELLING UNNECESSARILY ON BUSES DURING RUSH HOURS IS CONTEMPLATED BY THE KOWLOON MOTOR-BUS COMPANY.

It is proposed to supply students with a monthly book of tickets—a separate ticket for each day of the month excepting Sundays and holidays—each valid for four journeys.

Each trip a student takes will be recorded on the current day's ticket—punched by the conductor.

POPPY DAY FUND

Previously acknowledged \$6,401. G. W. Tate \$10, A. R. Brown, \$5, Andrew Nicol \$10, Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves and Mrs. Purves \$10, E. A. H. Newton \$15, F. Dupuy \$25, A. Lundau \$50, J. Orniston \$25, Albert Kung-Po Chan \$10. Total \$8,591.

Further donations will be gratefully received by E. G. Maund, Secretary, Earl Haig's Fund, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building.

Cheques should be made payable to Thomson & Co., and crossed Poppy Day Fund.

WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

To-morrow, at 6.30 p.m., the White Elephant Sale at the Peninsula Hotel, in the cause of the War Organisation Fund is being held. There is no charge for admittance and of course no compulsion to buy.

It is announced that Mr. Len Collins, former amateur boxing champion of London, who arrived in the Colony recently, will wear Miss Bertha Peduto on Saturday, November 18.

Pong Kwai, 30, a chauffeur, of No. 5, Peak Road, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital on Friday, after he had taken some iodine instead of cough medicine.

THE "SUNDAY HERALD" learns from authoritative quarters that no further disclosure of Government's views on income tax is likely to be made at Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council.

If the matter is raised at all, it will be by Unofficial Members, who will address the Council on the fiscal and financial policy of the Government in general.

INCOME TAX LIKELY TO BE DISCUSSED AT K.R.A. MEETING

Income tax may figure importantly in the discussion at Tuesday's meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association at St. Andrew's Church Hall.

It was stressed by an official of the K.R.A. in an interview with the "Sunday Herald" yesterday that the meeting has not been called for the purpose of discussing income tax.

It is a normal open meeting of the K.R.A., at which any local resident, whether resident in Kowloon or Hong Kong, may attend and raise discussion on any matter of general interest to the Community.

A hint has, however, been given to the Committee that the Government's income tax proposals are likely to be brought up, and, for that reason, a more than average attendance is anticipated.

SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENT

The introduction of such open meetings by the K.R.A. has already proved itself a great success, as the occasion furnishes the only medium through which residents with a keen interest in local affairs can express their views publicly.

SEEK ARMS AGAINST RAIDERS

OWING TO RECENT INCREASE OF ARMED ROBBERIES IN THE NEW TERRITORIES, THE ELDERS OF DIFFERENT VILLAGES HAVE AGAIN PETITIONED THE AUTHORITIES FOR PERMISSION TO ARM VILLAGE VIGILANTES WITH SHOTGUNS.

The petition has been forwarded to the proper quarters but no reply has yet been received by the elders.

It is understood that the authorities are considering the petition.

MANUFACTURERS' UNION DINNER

The annual dinner of local manufacturers took place at the To Yuen Restaurant last night, when Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers' Union, revealed the year's activities.

Members of the Union, he said, had increased from 60 to 231.

The Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall was the guest of honour.



Trevor and Dawn, clever Australian artists, who have opened a season at the Gloucester. Acrobatic dancing is their metier and they have scored instant success.

At the moment, Government intends to proceed only with the Ordinance Budget, which is complete in itself, although subject to modification according to decisions reached regarding the Special War Budget.

The "Sunday Herald" understands that the two Budgets are being proceeded with separately, in view of the fact that the Committee appointed to study the Income Tax proposals has not yet reported.

It is expected that, if Income Tax is proceeded with, in any form, the Special War Budget will be submitted to Legislative Council simultaneously with an Ordinance governing the assessment and collection of income tax.

AN ALTERNATIVE

Although no indication is forthcoming of the official attitude on the question, it is reported that one proposal for an alternative method of raising new revenue is for an increase in the Assessment Tax with rents rigidly fixed at their present level, a step which would impose the entire tax on the landlord and be equivalent to an Income Tax on one small section of the community.

JAPANESE AIRFIELD NR. BORDER

(Special To The "Sunday Herald")

A LARGE LANDING FIELD FOR AIRPLANES IS BEING CONSTRUCTED BY THE JAPANESE AT SHUMCHUN, ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE BORDER LAST NIGHT.

The area is a little less than two miles from British territory and is located between Shumchun and Shantou.

Some weeks ago the Japanese ordered the elders in villages between Nantau and Shantaukok, to conscript labourers to assist in levelling the ground.

The labourers were promised 50 cents wages a day, but the Japanese appeared not to have kept their promise, according to a number who deserted after a few days.

Some 500 Chinese conscripts are now virtually prisoners, it is stated. They are guarded and not allowed abroad after the day's work.

REFUGEE CENTRE

Kunming, Yesterday. Chinese residents in Indo-China are planning to establish a reclamation centre in Yunnan.

A bureau will be established to give practical guidance to those who wish to make investments. There will also be a daily newspaper and a middle school.

The entire project will entail a cost of about \$600,000. — Central News.

Pun Fan, bus driver, knocked down Li Shiu-chol, 42, in Queen's Road, East near Wellington Barracks on Friday. Li was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital.



Photo taken at the dinner of the C.Y.M.B. (Rosary Church) to commemorate the seventh anniversary of its formation. Prizes and trophies were distributed on this occasion by Father Rossi, Rector of Rosary Church.

ALARMING GROWTH OF T.B.

Government's decision to make tuberculosis a notifiable disease on January 18 last has since disclosed that the disease is assuming disturbing proportions.

From January 18 to the end of September, 5,882 cases were reported to the medical authorities, averaging 24 cases a day.

During the same period there were 3,364 deaths, averaging about 14 a day.

It is pointed out that malnutrition and lack of certain foods is mainly responsible for T.B. victims. Since the Japanese commenced blockading the China coast, fish has become difficult to obtain. Fish is one of the essential foods and many of the poorer classes, among whom most of the T.B. cases originate, are not now in a financial position to purchase.

POLICE RESERVE ON PARADE

(Special To The "Sunday Herald")

Called out for active service by proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, on October 13, some 316 members of the Hong Kong Police Reserve, under Deputy Superintendent O. Eager and Adjutant T'so Tsun-on, will parade before His Excellency on Thursday afternoon at Central Police Headquarters.

The Special Constabulary, recently added to the Reserve Force, will be on parade for the first time.

At the inspection, two members of the Police Reserve will be presented with Commended Service Bars. They are Constable (R) Leung Yiu-wing and Constable (R) Syed Zaffar Alam.

The Police Reserve is now composed of 144 members, Chinese Company; 103, Indian Company; 39, Flying Squad; and 30, Emergency Unit, their main duty being to assist the regular police force.

It is planned to increase the personnel to 450.

SPECIAL CONSTABLES

The Special Constabulary consists of Chinese who volunteered at the S.C.A. in conjunction with the British Subjects Compulsory Registration.

Members of this force wear civilian clothes, with an identification armband and truncheon. They are at present undergoing modified training lectures by Police Reserve members. They accompany members of the Reserve on patrols to gain experience.

The Special Constabulary have been placed in the charge of Inspector (R) Chow U Ting, and several members of the Police Reserve are also assisting in training the newly-organised City Self-Defence Corps. The Police Reserve Headquarters Staff consist of Deputy Superintendent O. Eager, Adjutant T'so Tsun-on, and Secretary A. E. Mooney who was transferred to the Police Reserve Force from the Colonial Secretariat in 1921.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BAZAAR

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, which has done such splendid work among the poor of Hong Kong since its formation in 1863, is holding its annual at fresco fete in Kowloon, opposite the Peninsula Hotel this afternoon and evening.

CHURCH GARDEN FETE

THE GROUNDS OF CHRIST CHURCH, KOWLOON, TONG WORE A CARNIVAL AIR, WITH COLOURFUL DECORATIONS AND FLAGS, YESTERDAY, WHEN THE ANNUAL GARDEN FETE WAS FORMALLY OPENED BY LADY NORTHCOTE, WHO IN A BRIEF SPEECH, WISHED THE FUNCTION SUCCESS.

After declaring the fete officially open, Lady Northcote toured the stalls and made several purchases.

Refreshments were served between 3.30 p.m. and 6 p.m. and were in the capable hands of Mesdames Goddard, Anderson, Woolley and Robinson. Aerated waters and icecreams were sold by Messrs. V. and D. Sue.

Those in charge of the different stalls were Mesdames Hume, Hall, Gargino and Prew (Fancy Goods); Mesdames Lay Peters Guest and Sullivan (Woolen and Knitted Articles); Mesdames Rosenthal and Clemo (Home Produce); Mesdames Goddard and Perry (Plants and Ferns); Mrs. Seotcher (Lavender Stalls); Mesdames Kew, Anderson, and Miss C. Gaggino (The Dollar Stalls); Mr. Tallford (Aunt Sally); Messrs. Marshall and Peters (Cocoanut Shy, Doll Name Guessing, Shooting Gallery, The Grand Total, and Parcel Game); Mr. D. Passmore (Candle Lighting); Mr. L. W. Shen (Treasure Hunt); Mr. L. W. Hume (Darts); Messrs. E. A. Lee and G. White (Hoo-La); Messrs. Fenton and Morley (Archery); Messrs. E. C. C. Johnson and Andrew Cheung (Cork Stabbing); Mr. Booker, Miss Dorothy Lee and Miss Aileen Sue (Fish Pond); Mrs. Colledge and the Wolf Cubs (Sweet Stall); Mrs. Low and Mrs. Shu (Chinese Booth); and Mrs. Egan (Fortune Telling).

FORTUNE AWAITS LOST SONG WRITER

London, Yesterday. A strange fate is that of the young Jaromir Vejvoda.

Jaromir, formerly a Czech, and now technically a German subject, is the composer of "Beer Barrel Polka," the rousing strains of which British troops are marching to war.

The song has had such a spectacular success that a huge sum is piling up in royalties, but Jaromir cannot be located, and in any case the money cannot be sent to him because of the Act which forbids trading with the enemy.

The song was written in 1934 and became the rage of Prague under the title of "Skoda Lasky," meaning "Pity of Love." It was then a sentimental ballad, mourning "wasted love that I gave you, my eyes to-day keep on crying."

JUST A MEMORY When Hitler invaded Czechoslovakia the Czechs became too sad to sing. "Skoda Lasky" became a memory in Prague.

But music goes round and round, and "Skoda Lasky" captured the ear of an American publisher who had new words written for the melody which, at the same time, was pepped up to quick foxtrot.

Its new chorus became: "Roll out the barrel, we'll have a barrel of fun; Roll out the barrel, we've got the blues on the run. Zing! Boom! Ta-ra-rol! Ring out song of good cheer. Now's the time to roll the barrel, For the gang's all here."

The English rights were secured by Keith, Prowse, and between 150,000 and 200,000 copies have already been sold here. There have been forty different gramophone recordings.

But no one here or in America knows what has happened to Jaromir Vejvoda—the man who gave Tommy a new "Tipperary."—Our Own Correspondent.

R.A.F. KIEL HERO FORMERLY ON THE CHINA COAST

HONG KONG, the "Sunday Herald" is able to disclose, can share in the congratulations extended to Flying Officer Andrew McPherson, who was decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross by His Majesty the King during the week, as he is well known in shipping circles here, having served on the China Coast. Until some little while back, Flying Officer McPherson was employed by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and served in China Navigation Company ships. Only 21 years of age, he had a wide circle of friends in Hong Kong among the younger generation.

He joined the R.A.F. as the result of an offer received when he went to England to take an examination for a "ticket" in connection with his profession, and won his D.F.C. on the second day of the war when he was selected to take part in the dramatic raid on the German naval units at Wilhelmshaven and Kiel. Two direct hits were scored on a pocket-battleship during the raid and other German naval units were damaged.

PREMIERS TRIBUTE

The following tribute was paid to the airmen who took part: The Government would like to pay a tribute, to the very gallant attack made by units of the R.A.F. on certain German warships off Wilhelmshaven.

It would be realised that the objectives attacked, namely the German fleet bases at Wilhelmshaven and at the entrance to the Kiel Canal, were probably among the most strongly defended points in Germany, and the manner in which the R.A.F. attacks were pressed home despite the strength of the defence, was worthy of the highest praise.

BLINDING RAINSTORM

Mention had to be made of the weather conditions prevailing on the afternoon of the attack.

Visibility was extremely poor and the final stages of the attack were carried out in a blinding rainstorm.

A high degree of navigational skill was thus necessary to enable the attack to reach its objective at all, and the fact that hits were registered showed the ability of the R.A.F. to carry out its attacks under conditions of great difficulty.

Finally, he might stress the

fact that a high proportion of officers and men in the squadrons concerned had entered and received their training since the expansion of the R.A.F. began.

It is understood that Flying Officer McPherson has a further direct contact with Hong Kong, for his brother, Mr. J. R. McPherson is now resident in the Colony. He is a ship's engineer.

BRITISH WAR AIMS

London, Yesterday. The new Bishop of London, speaking at the London Diocesan Conference yesterday, said the British people had entered the war not with hot passion but with serious deliberation, accepting it as a necessary sacrifice for a spiritual end. "Our aim is not to impose our will as victors upon the vanquished but to unite with neutral nations and with our present enemies in a settlement on the best and surest foundations."—British Wireless.

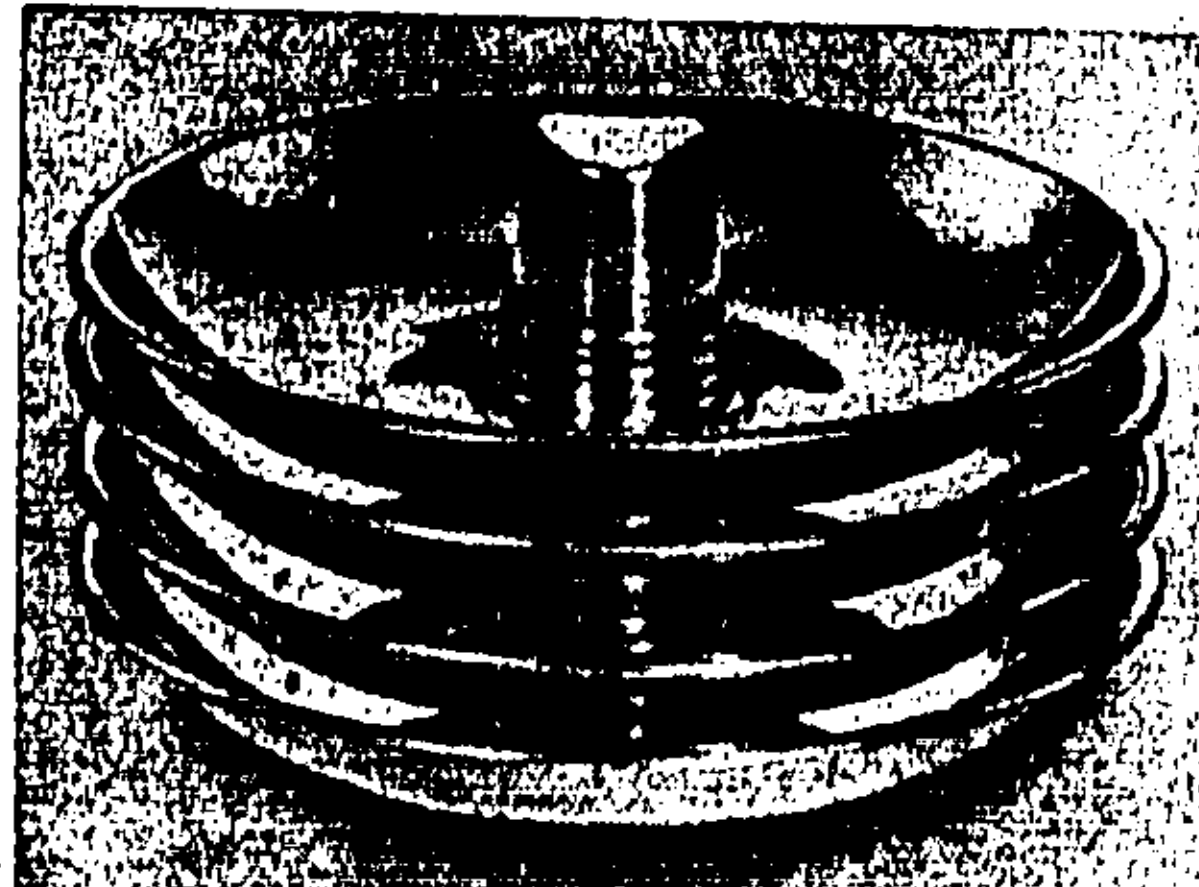
WEDDING OF MISS YEUNG SAU-KING

China's Mermaid, Miss Yeung Sau-king, is to be married to-day at St. Margaret's Church, Happy Valley.

The bridegroom is Mr. B. L. Tso, well-known local jockey.

A 16-year-old girl, To Kwai, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital with head injuries, after jumping from a moving tram in Wongneichung Road, on Friday.

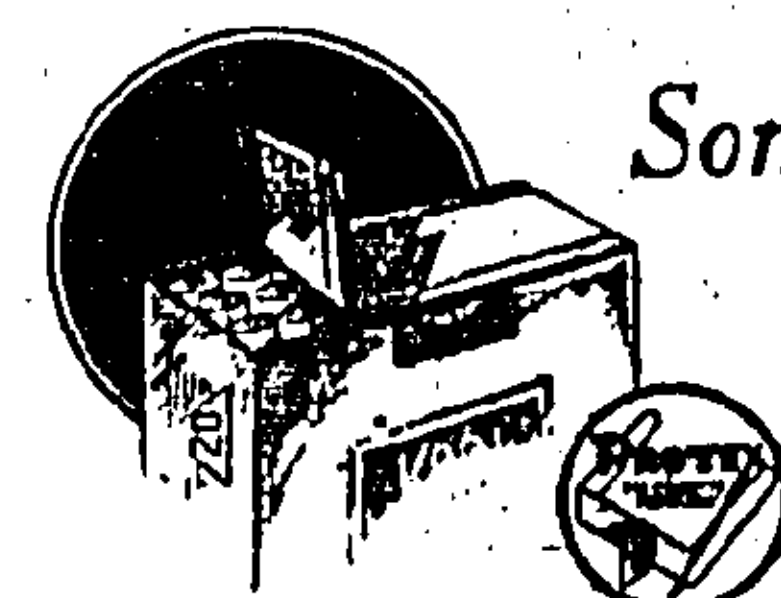
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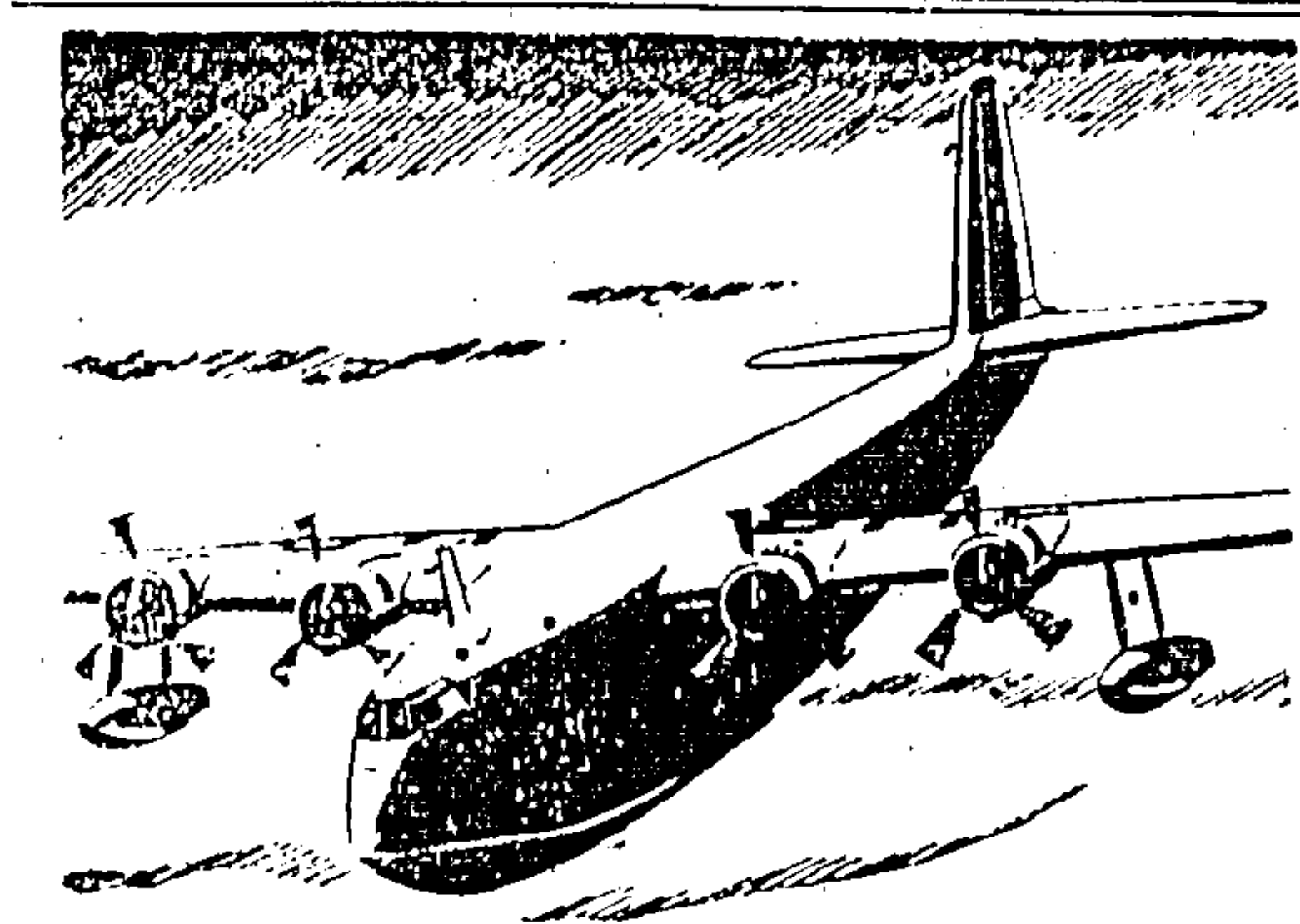
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Is Hitler Ersatz Too

Is Hitler dead? Since this question was first raised exclusively on this page it has been a subject of keen speculation. It arose, you will recall, from the rumour that the Fuehrer used for public speeches and ceremonies a wax figure with a gramophone inside. Since then, circumstances have combined to increase the suspicion that German reports of his appearance are false.

For instance, recently, when two German papers reported the Fuehrer as having made spectacular appearances before cheering troops in two different places at the same time, it was assumed that both reports were untrue, and that he had been in neither place.

The assumption was natural. Modern scepticism rejects the belief that a man can be in two places at once. From this the public came to regard all reports of the Fuehrer's appearance as unreliable, and gradually the belief spread that he did not exist at all.

Moreover, one must admit that such a personality as the Fuehrer's are more credible as legend than as fact. As is well known, some phenomena are so startling as to deny even the evidence of the naked eye. One need only cite the case of the yoked who, while gazing steadily at a griffin, denied its existence.

Scepticism was further aroused by reports of the Fuehrer's appearance

in circumstances deemed impracticable in modern warfare. For example, the "Berliner Illustrierte Nachrichten" described one as follows:—

"The Fuehrer stops on top of a hill quickly the news of his arrival spreads. Soon the whole hill is covered with German soldiers, who pay their supreme commander a great token of homage in sight of the enemy. The hills ring out with a mighty roar, which echoes far beyond the Vistula to the enemy."

Sceptics received such reports with derision. How, they asked, could such theatrical display be staged in full view of a hostile army? Is it likely that the Nazis would permit the sacred person of the Leader to be exposed in a position of such prominence as to invite the attention of enemy artillery?

Nevertheless, I am in a position to state that such reports, unconvincing as they seem, are actually correct.

Readers must remember that practically every German regiment is riddled with handpicked members of the Yaffle Secret Intelligence Corps (the "Death or Glory Boys"), each chosen for his intrepidity, enterprise and veracity.

I can thus assert, on absolutely reliable evidence, that Hitler actually was seen, not only in the places mentioned, but in many other places also, at the same time.

Subsequent investigations have explained the mystery. I am now able to reveal that some time before the Polish invasion a German factory was given an order for "250,000 Ersatz Fuehrers," or life-size models of Hitler.

These figures, which are extraordinarily life-like, have an outer casing of woven wire stuffed with steel wool, and are so constructed that, seen at a distance, they preserve general outline intact even when perforated with bullet-holes. The solution arm is operated from a distance by wireless, while an interior receiving set transmits amplified gramophone records of appropriate exhortations in the Fuehrer's own familiar accents.

These disclosures are, I think, sufficient to explain the persistence of the reports that the Fuehrer is continually seen, and making speeches in dangerously exposed positions.

Incidentally, in the light of these disclosures, I have no hesitation in affirming the correctness of the story, hitherto regarded as a joke, that Hitler was seen last week, dressed as Lohengrin, in chromium-plated armour, being towed up the Vistula on a wooden swan, from the interior of which came a fully orchestrated rendering of the Grand March from that opera.

It were childish, I think, to withhold our admiration of this invention, which so thoroughly accords with the best traditions of German thoroughness.

And in view of the encouraging effect on the German army of the continual appearance of the Fuehrer in person on almost every sector of the fighting simultaneously, the British people are well-advised not to under-estimate the enemy's morale.

My agents further report that the factory in question has orders to continue the mass production of model Hitlers throughout the war. And if readers should require confirmation of this report, I must ask them to wait until British soldiers on leave begin to bring home "Tin Hitlers" as trophies, as last time they brought tin helmets.

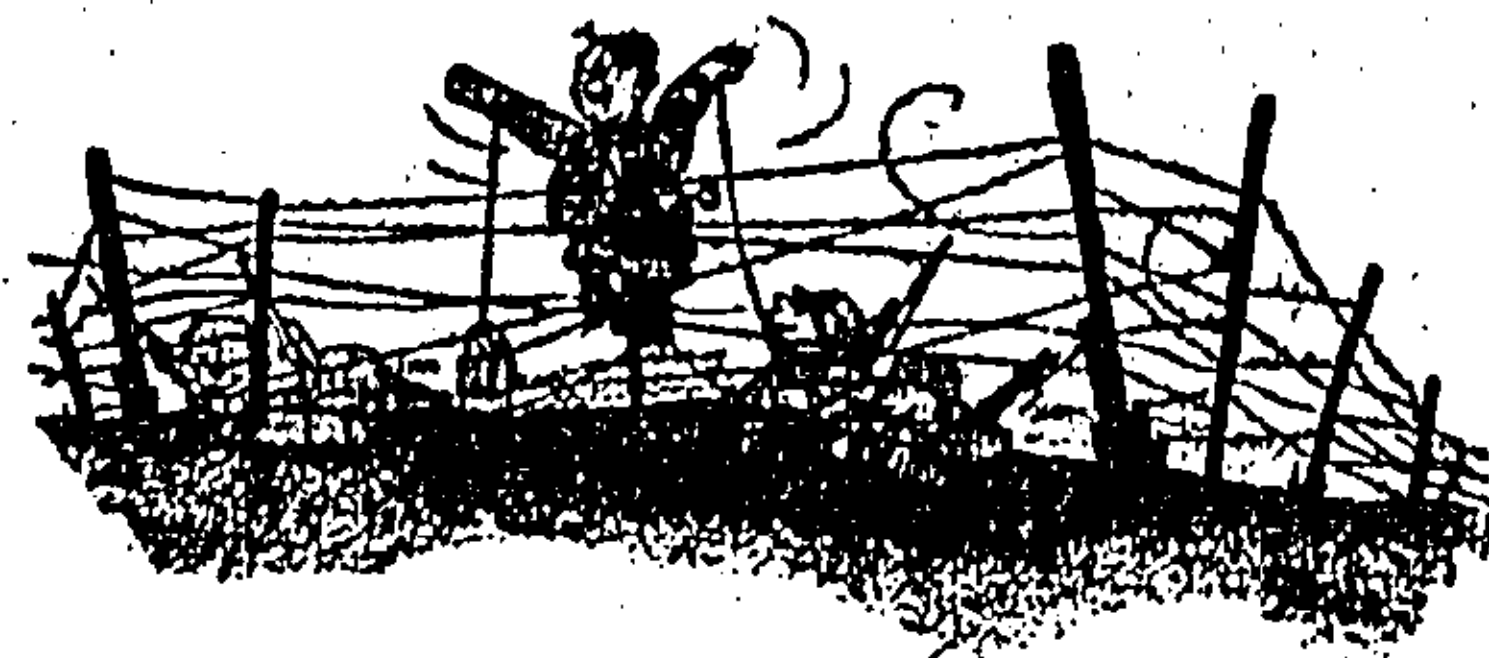
Indeed, one may confidently predict that when the war is over no British home will be complete without one. (In view of this contingency I may take this opportunity of announcing that Yaffle's Gadgets, Ltd., will shortly be in a position to offer convincing replicas at a low price to any returned soldiers who fail to acquire a genuine Tin Hitler through the legitimate channels.)

One may pause here to reflect, with some humility, that the British soldiers have no such inspiration to draw upon.

Where are our great men? Where are those leaders whose personality is so magnetic, whose reputation so overwhelming, that their appearance on the field of battle would rouse our men to redoubled efforts and joyful sacrifice?

Could we, with confidence, expect such results from the appearance, impromptu as it is, of Mr. Churchill? Would the sight of Mr. Greenwood change defeat into victory? Could we evoke a fighting frenzy by raising aloft a life-size effigy of the Archbishop of Canterbury? Would our soldiers rush ecstatically into the arms of death upon a passing glimpse even of the Great Umbrella?

We must doubt this. Indeed, such is the unreliable temper of a people untrained in respect for leadership, that it would be rash to predict that such appearances would be more likely to meet with deep-throated plaudits than with a shower of empty bully-boots.



Such are the limitations of democracy. We have, by Jingo, the guns and the butter; but we lack the Fuehrers.

Was it to this obvious disadvantage that one of the Hitlers was referring when he spoke of that "new German weapon against which the British have no defence?"

By this time, I imagine, my readers will be impatiently asking, "But what of the real Hitler? If these stories of chigles be true, where is the immortal prototype, the original work of art?"

At the moment I can only say that my investigations into this matter are still proceeding. I have drawn my conclusions, but it would be unwise to make a pronouncement until my evidence is complete.

I can assure my readers, however, that they may expect, at an early date, startling revelations which may change the whole outlook of the European situation.

Next Week: ARE THERE TWO OF THEM, OR IS HITLER REALLY STALIN?

THIS is the Yaffle Broadcasting Service. The first fifteen years will be the worst.

If, as Comrade Hitler says, "anything should happen to me" (which

is doubtful, as I always write in bomb-proof bedsocks), my place will be taken by Mr. Snoop and Mr. Giles. Both are well qualified. Mr. Snoop has learnt journalism by correspondence, and Mr. Giles is rapidly learning to spell.

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I shall myself pay periodical visits to the German fronts, disguised as The Merry Widow. By this ruse I hope to obtain possession of the more important kind of plans, despatches, and other vital documents.

Serving officers who have inquiries to make should present themselves at my office without swords.

Other ranks, without bows and arrows.

Prophecy department.—We have a large and varied assortment of War Prophecies in stock, covering every aspect of the conflict, such as the duration of the war, the fate of leading enemy personages, and the political and economic changes likely to be involved.

They have been drawn exclusively from authoritative sources, and in case any prophecy should not meet with the approval of our readers its flat contradiction by another authority of equal weight will subsequently be published. By this means we hope to enter for every variety of expectation.

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Training Course for Spies—Lesson One—the Language.

Geben sie mich ein wurst oder was haben sie.

(Give me a sausage of what have you.)

Was fur ein schon offizier sie sind!

(What a handsome officer you are!)

Sicherlich so bedeutend ein offizier wie selbst macht schrecklich wichtigen briefschafen tragen?

(Surely such an important officer as you must carry frightfully important papers?)

Wollen sie nicht mich sie sehen lassen?

(Won't you let me see them?)

Danke, was fur ein nett mann! Auf wiedersehen!

(Thank you, you are a nice man! Au revoir!)

Next Week: How to Decoy an Admiral.

This is the Yaffle Bro—

This is the Cattle-Feeders' Query Column and Sock-Darners' Manual.

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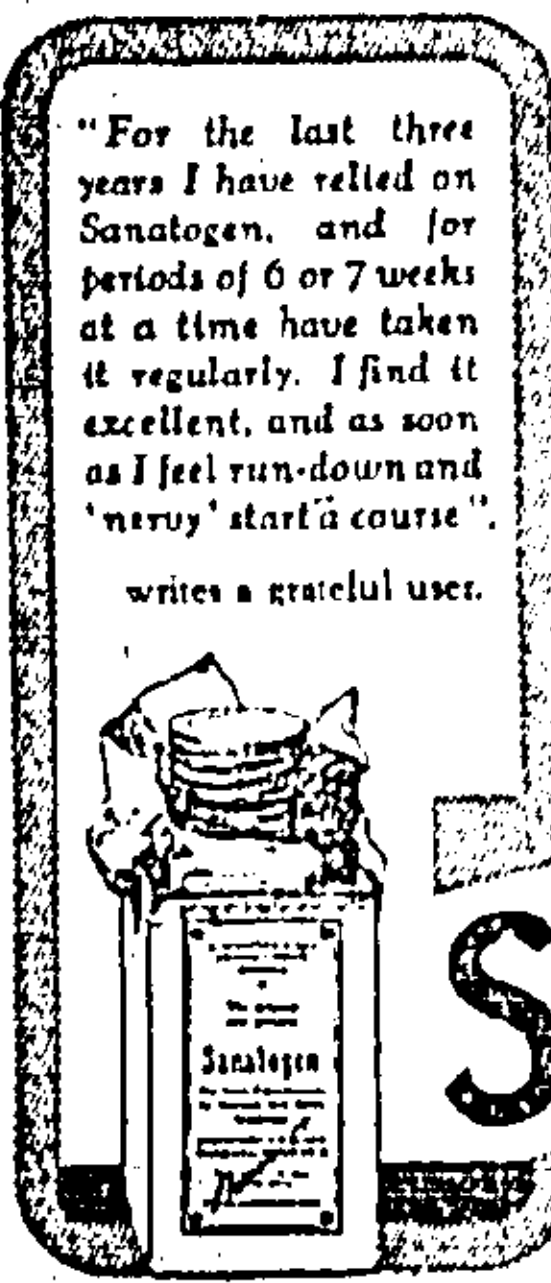
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Vast Irish Sweep Trust Given Over To Red Cross

THE WORLD'S greatest sweepstake (organised by the Irish Hospitals Trust, Ltd., for the benefit of Irish hospitals and welfare centres), involving the collection of millions of pounds from every country, has undergone a dramatic change.

By a special Bill rushed through the Dail, the Eire Government has given the Irish Red Cross Society power to run the sweepstake and to donate part of the proceeds to Red Cross funds in belligerent countries.

Plans are now on foot for the biggest financial "flutter" in history to be drawn in Dublin early next year in aid of Europe's war victims.

The sweepstakes will be continued during 1940 on various big races.

First of the "sweeps" will be drawn on a new race to be run in Ireland under State patronage in early spring, with prize money so high as to attract the leading horses in Ireland and the best in Britain and France.

Irish Red Cross leaders state that they believe the new sweepstake plans will be so successful that they will not only be able to care for the hundreds of war victims in Ireland, but that they will be able to place large sums at the disposal of the British and other societies for humanitarian work.

The Irish Red Cross was only launched last month, when the war washed, first 400 Athenian survivors, then crew after crew from shipwrecked merchantmen, on to Erin's shores. Local people were generous, but there was no central fund to succour the victims.

Initiative in forming the Irish Red Cross, which is now officially linked to world headquarters in Geneva, was then taken by Dr. Douglas Hyde, poet-scholar President of Eire.

MACHINERY ALL READY

It is pointed out that the Red Cross does not need to set up its own machinery for the sweepstake, as it can automatically call on the vast resources of the Hospitals Trust, which has functioned so efficiently for years.

Tickets for the new sweepstakes, which will be drawn by the Chief of Police in Dublin, will be 5s. each. Enormous interest has been aroused in British Red Cross circles, in London.

At the same time there is some consternation over the probable legal difficulties involved.

By English law Irish Sweepstakes are illegal, and the sale of tickets is forbidden in England. It is emphasised that even if there is no legal barrier to the actual acceptance of such funds, a nice point of procedure arises if a Society such as the British Red Cross, with its committee list of influential members and supporters, is to be financed, indirectly, by a sweepstake which Parliament has declared illegal.

FUNDS URGENTLY NEEDED

The Hon. Sir Arthur Stanley, chairman of the British Red Cross Society's Executive Committee, stated: "This is the first I have heard of the proposal, and I can hardly comment on it at the moment. It is true that funds are urgently needed."

"There might be some legal difficulties connected with any donation," was the comment of Deputy-Chairman Sir Edward Stewart, who added, "Everywhere there is need of funds."

Since the Irish sweepstakes were started in 1930 more than £600,000,000 has been paid for tickets. Irish hospitals have received £14,000,000 and approximately £47,000,000 has

been paid out in prize money.

In recent years each of the three main races—Grand National, Derby and Cambridgeshire—has brought in £2,200,000. Out of this the hospitals have received £500,000 and prize-winners £1,700,000.

The lottery thus obtains about £6,500,000 a year.

POLISH GENERAL'S AMAZING ESCAPE

ELUDED RED ARMY IN DISGUISE

Paris, Yesterday.

AFTER AN AMAZING JOURNEY, General Kazimierz Sosnkowski, highest ranking officer of the Polish Army and hero of the battle round Lwow, has arrived safely in Paris.

Disguised as a peasant he travelled for 15 days through South-Eastern Poland and across the icy passes of the Carpathians.

For the greater part of the fortnight his way lay through territory held by the Russians. Once he was given a lift by a Soviet Army lorry.

A dramatic account of the general's battles and escape is given by his aide, Colonel Dehmelt.

FORCED MARCHES

On September 13, General Sosnkowski took over command of the remnants of the southern Polish Army round Przemyśl, the old Austrian fortress of 1915 fame.

The situation was desperate and he decided to break through to Cracow to try to form a front line there.

With his 12,000 men he marched

all night, disappearing during the daytime into the forests and fields out of reach of Nazi planes and tanks.

Then it was learned that the Soviet troops were marching.

"We had to give up all hope of resistance," said Colonel Dehmelt. "The General ordered his little army to disperse, and the two of us put on peasant's clothes."

"After a few hours we met Soviet troops marching on foot, but we aroused no suspicion, as the roads were full of refugees."

"Once we were even given a ride on a Soviet army lorry."

MOUNTAIN ORDEAL

Part of the journey was made in a train run by a Polish engine driver supervised by a Soviet guard.

There were a few miles of travelling in peasants' carts, but most of the journey was on foot until on the thirteenth day the Carpathians were sighted.

"That was the worst of our ordeal," the colonel concluded. "The mountains and passes were covered with snow, and the paths were wet and slippery."

"Soviet patrols began to appear. We climbed for a good 12 hours in the night to a pass."

"At dawn we saw a frontier guard. We were safe and free."

TO-day, the young medical officer of 1917 is Sir Richard Cruise, eye specialist to Queen Mary, and in co-operation with the War Office he is now perfecting the visors.

IMPROVES SHORT-SIGHT

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So many men lost their sight in Battle of Arras in 1917 that the War Office sent an officer out to persuade the company commanders to make their men use the visor.



PROFESSOR "ON THE CARPET"

LONDON, YESTERDAY. PROFESSOR RUDOLF STAHLIN, SIXTY-FOUR-YEAR-OLD DOCTOR, WHO, TO AVOID "GIVING OFFENCE" TO THE NAZIS, WENT TO POLAND AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT REPORTED ON ALLEGED CASES OF MUSTARD-GAS POISONING, IS TO BE REPRIMANDED BY HIS EMPLOYERS.

After attending a church parade the other day, troops were entertained to an open air concert, when many well-known "stars" performed. Photo shows a striking study of two Tommies obviously enjoying the show. (By Air Mail, Copyright).

Professor Staehlin is employed by the council at the University of Basle and at the hospital owned by the city.

The City Fathers are mostly of the opinion that the professor violated the Swiss principle of absolute neutrality.

They will say so on Monday, when Professor Staehlin is to appear before them for examination.—Our Own Correspondent.

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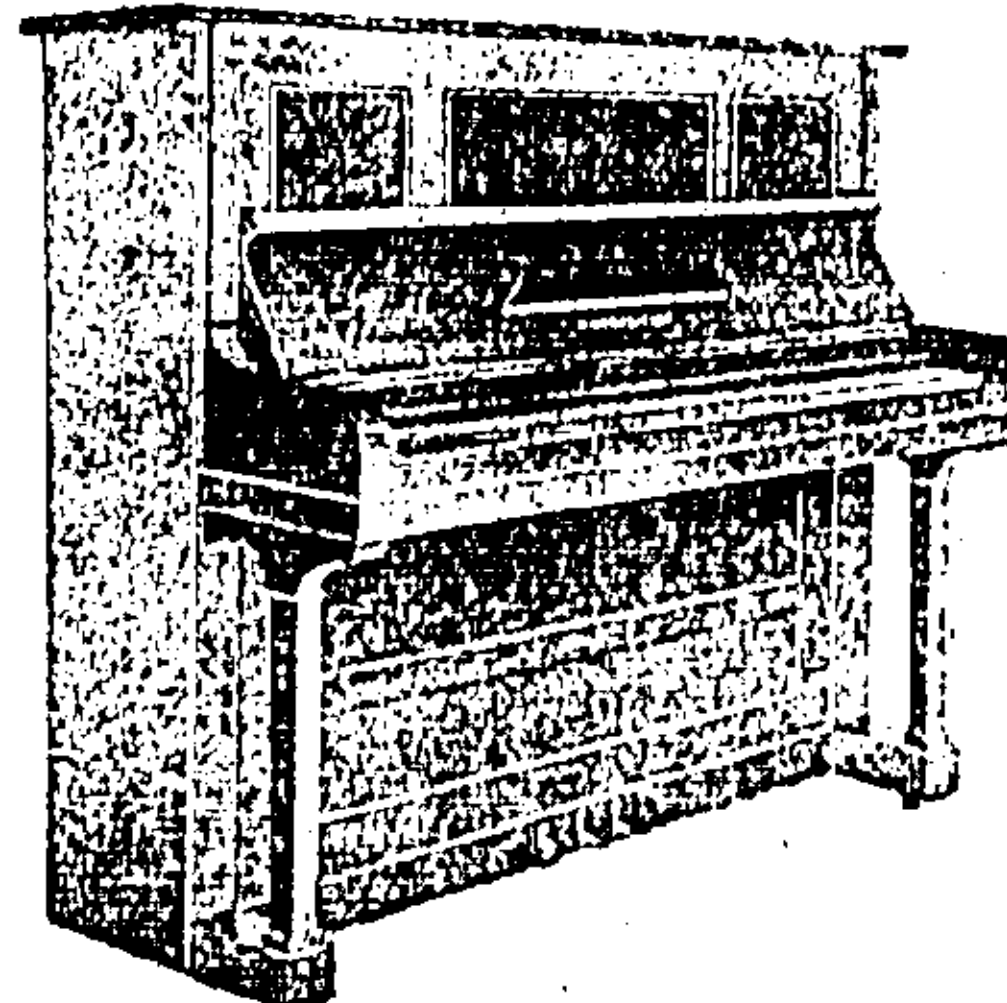
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On The Western Front

Possible Factors Of Victory

Where do the German Armies go from here? To win this war and to save his regime, Hitler must have a field movement where to renew the war of movement where with he crushed Poland. The French military authorities whom I met during the few days at the Front admit that Hitler can within one week concentrate sufficient forces for an attack on Holland, Belgium, Switzerland or some combination of the three, while retreating from breaking his own nose against the Maginot Line.

What are his chances of success? To begin with he has a relatively limited time wherein to start. The French Staff gives him a month. Second, he should need the same elements of superiority that he had in Poland.

His chief trump in the Polish campaign was that the Poles were not ready. Their mobilization was incomplete and wrongly distributed for a war against the Reich. The situation of France is exactly opposite. Poland's sacrifice has given the French the opportunity to complete their mobilization and the concentration of their troops under practically ideal circumstances. Hitler in Poland disposed of an absolutely crushing superiority of aviation. It can be said that the French are against two to three thousand German first class planes the Poles pitted exactly three hundred and sixty. With this superiority Hitler practically obliterated the Polish bases before the Poles could start. But he could not do this in France, even if he had the same air superiority as in Poland.

The French have not the slightest notion of allowing the Germans to wipe out their concentrations from the air.

At least a third of France is an

By Our Special Correspondent on the French Front,

EDGAR ANSEL MOWRER

they controlled the air as in Poland. Hitler does not control the air. Conceivably he still has more first class warplanes than France and Britain combined, but his chief superiority is in bombers. Bombers can be hindered or destroyed by pursuit planes. Here the Democracies are strong. Twinkles considerably to the American Curtis pursuit planes. Against two to three thousand German first class planes the Poles pitted exactly three hundred and sixty. With this superiority Hitler practically obliterated the Polish bases before the Poles could start. But he could not do this in France, even if he had the same air superiority as in Poland.

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With bombers it is admittedly another story. But though the French and British lost heavily when they attempted to bomb German well protected centres, it is practically certain that the Germans will lose the same proportion when they attack French towns or other strategic points. Unless the Germans produce new planes far outstripping the Allies, they will not be able much to interfere with rapid motorized nocturnal movements. The French reserves which are concentrated in depth can rapidly reach nearly any section of the Front.

What of that other German trump — mechanized divisions? At the beginning of the war the Germans were believed to possess five. The Poles claim to have captured or destroyed three. The Germans will create more. They may outnumber the French and the British. But they will not have the freedom of movement they had in Poland. The French artillery seems at least equal in quality and munition supplies to the German. But—and this is important — the French tanks are superior to the German. French light, 11 ton, 20 ton, 28 ton and giant 60 ton tanks are protected by an almost impenetrable armour of special steel which is the Allies' secret. One 11 ton tank received a dead hit from 300 yards by a German 37mm anti-tank gun. The shell penetrated 18 millimetres into the armour, but the armour is 40 millimetres thick.

Watching these tanks train at their bases, I had the impression that their advance into advancing Germany would be likely to produce considerable dismay. The German army swinging through Belgium or through Holland and Belgium would—unless appearances are deceptive — need every last bit of its numerical superiority and unequal morale in order to overcome defenders who on the French frontier would fight in carefully prepared positions which—though unequal to the Maginot Line, which stops at Givet—are strong.

Britain's War Effort

To a vast number of people, the war seems to be a phantom war. It lacks reality. The reason, I think, is that everybody assumed that when war broke out Britain and France would be subjected to heavy air bombardment.

It was anticipated that the war would be heralded by the zoom of German bombers over London and other vulnerable areas.

This dread possibility did not materialize. It is true that the very morning war was declared there was an air raid warning, and others in the days following. Since then, however, life has continued more or less normally.

Of course, there are more men in uniform, and there are many other signs of war all around. But the bombs have not rained upon us. No German aeroplane has flown over British soil. Consequently, many people in Britain are feeling that the war is not "real."

This feeling has been intensified by the paucity of war news, for which the British Government's timidity and mishandling of the problem of information are very largely responsible.

But, in fact, the war is on. In their hearts the British people know it, though it has not so far manifested itself according to prediction. They are not afraid. There is none of the hysteria of the early days of the last Great War. There is no "flag-wagging." There are no processions of excited people.

There is, on the other hand, an acceptance of a challenge, and without heroics, a grim determination to "see it through."

To meet this challenge, the nation is girding up its loins. We have been slow in preparation. We have bungled and blundered as is the British way. But the nation's resources are being organized, and will be increasingly organized and utilized as time goes on.

In August 1914, when the last Great War broke upon the world, we were in many respects unprepared. Belgium and France were invaded. To-day, the story is a different one. German territory is occupied. German forces are held at bay. Not one inch of western territory is held by the enemy. The story does not end there.

Were the big German offensive to be repulsed here, a French counter-offensive behind superior French tanks might be terrific.

Furthermore the Germans would need at least equality in morale. Maybe they possess this. The German soldiers now fighting in the Saar sector are young, well equipped, full of "Kampfgelst." They seem well nourished, but certainly their relatives at home are already rationed. It was more the bad conditions behind that broke the German morale in 1918 than the Front itself.

The French on the other hand are still profusely supplied. Lunching with the Maginot Line officers in a small tavern at Knallhugue your Correspondent found more and better food than in many Paris restaurants. Here at Verdun I was invited with my comrades and the American Military Attaches to a small luncheon given by the Commanding General Lesourd. The menu consisted of hors d'oeuvres, small patties, then lobster, string beans, beefsteak, potatoes, salad, ice cream, little cakes and fruit. This being your time there were only seven wines available. Arbois blanc rose d'Alsace Chateau Chenu Lafite 1928 Puligny Monbanchet Bonnes Mares Faiveley 1919 Muscat de Rivesaltes and Champagne Pommery Drapeau. That is all, if one forgets coffee and liqueurs. Your Correspondent had the impression that such food within the stomachs of men who really are eager to get a real crack at the Nazis may produce surprising results!

This then is the picture as it appears to your Correspondent. The French staff officers are not perhaps as confident as ex-President Hoover, who already knows that Germany cannot win, but they realize that defeat would be the end of their national and personal freedom.

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The economic blockade is exercising increasing pressure. Hitler will find it more and more difficult, and finally impossible, to provide himself with commodities essential for the prosecution of the war.

The British Navy is gradually and successfully clearing the seas of the submarine menace. The convoy system has been developed and is now effective. Each week since the war began the amount of shipping sunk by German U-Boats has progressively decreased. So though the loss of British ships undoubtedly is, new ships have in the interval put to sea, and the mercantile marine, on which the British Isles depend for supplies of food and raw material, is actually larger now than it was when hostilities began.

Britain will not in this war be in such peril of starvation as she was in the last war. Overseas supplies of vital necessities are assured to us by the Navy and Merchant Service.

The scale of the British nation's activities cannot be foreseen. The magnitude of the industrial output which we must envisage is colossal. Modern warfare is largely mechanized. As the Secretary of State for War said in the House of Commons a few days ago, "nearly 60% of the fighting troops in 1914 were troops on their rifles."

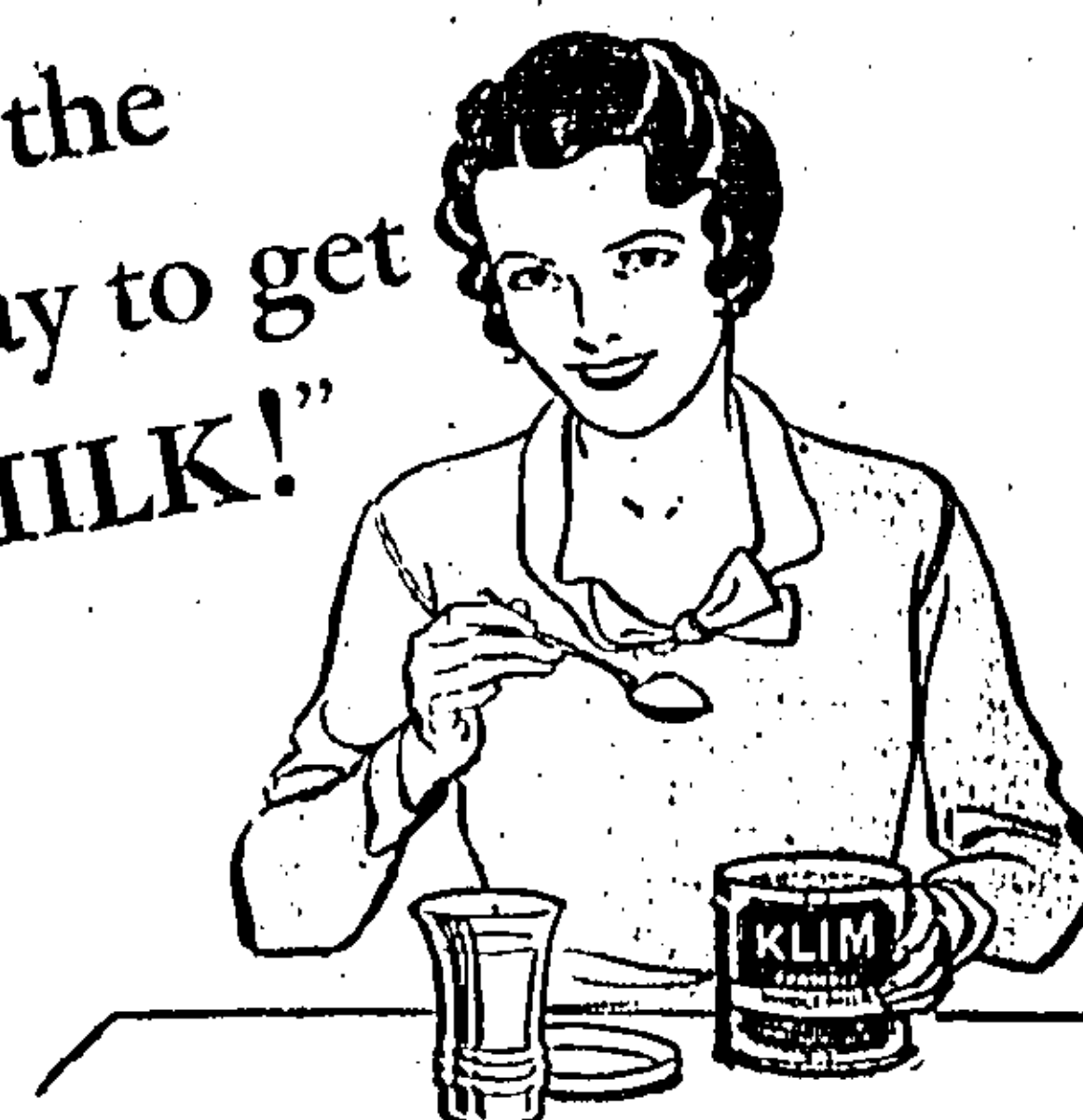
Now, only 20% of the fighting troops are infantrymen with 50 Bren guns between them, 22 anti-tank rifles and other weapons as well with each battalion.

Consequently, the worker at home, helping to provide these supplies, is a vital part of the tragic but necessary machinery of war. In the days before us, this contribution will be increased and the call will, I know, meet with a ready response.

This vast machinery is operating now, not because of the will of the British people. They would not willingly waste their energies and resources on war. But the die has been cast by Hitler.

We are not yet exercising our full strength, terrific though our pressure on Hitler is to-day. Greater efforts will be called for—and greater sacrifices. I believe they will be made, with sad hearts, but with great determination, so that when the riot of war is over, an impoverished world will bend its energies to the constructive tasks of peace. (World Copyright 1939 by "Sunday Herald" and Cooperation. Reproduction in whole or part strictly forbidden.)

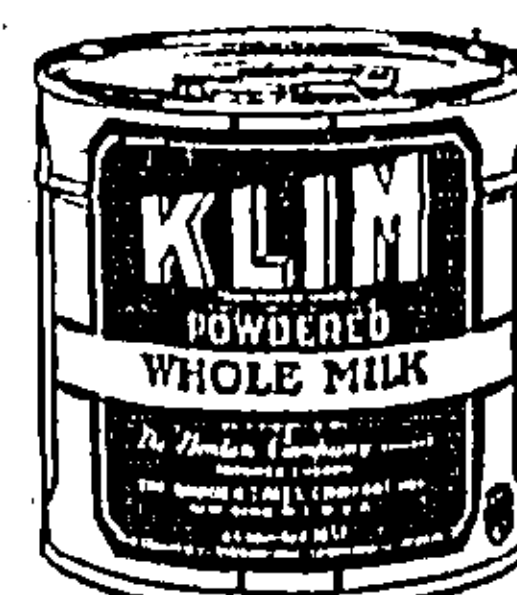
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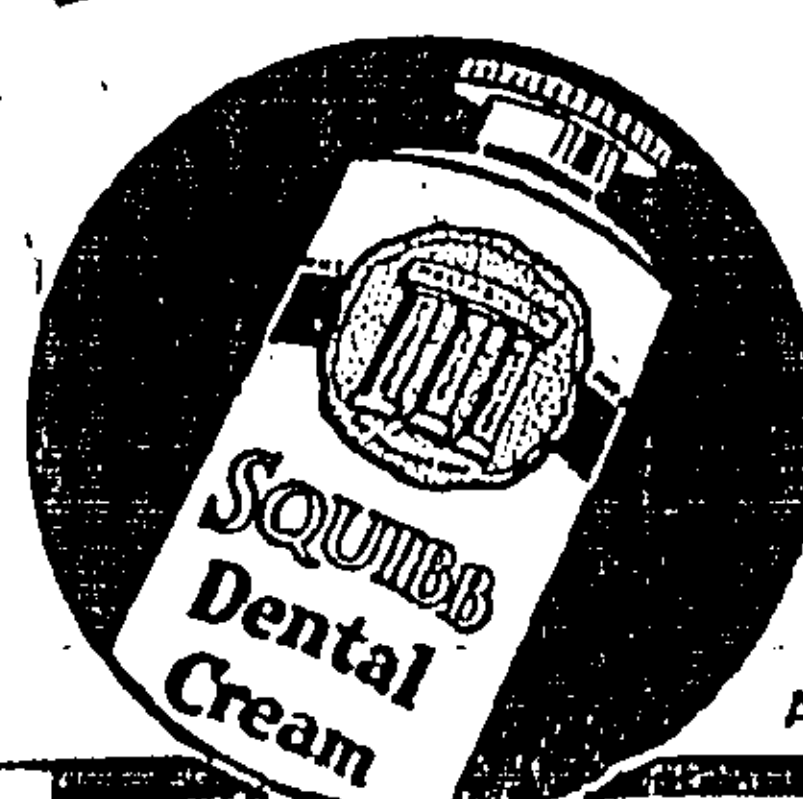
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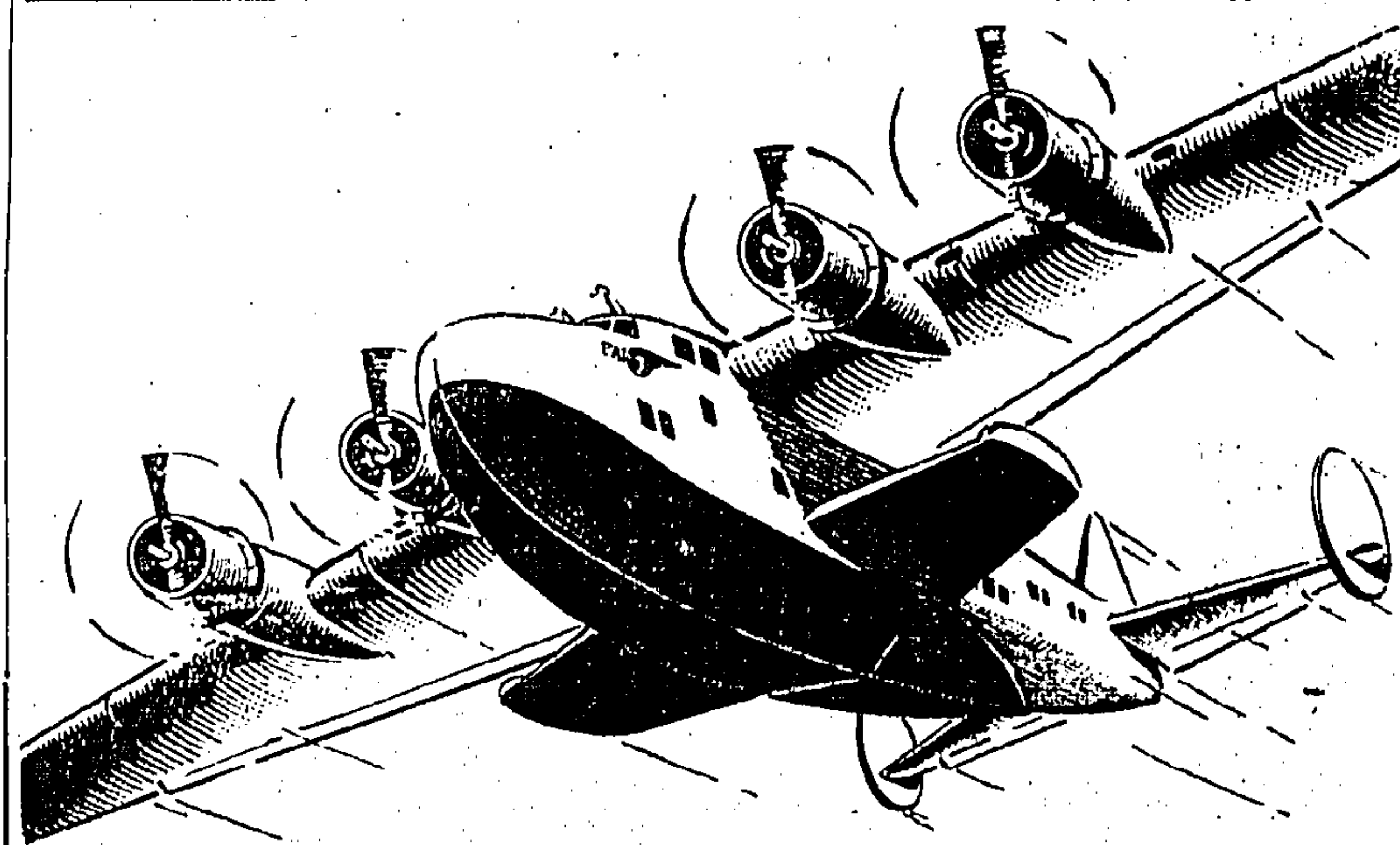
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SOMETHING ELSE

TWO things seem to be supremely difficult to achieve these days. One is to keep calm, and the other is to refrain from discussing the war.

Many aids of cheerful confidence might be suggested. Some might advise a study of the stars or that you go more often to the cinema or to church.

Others would prescribe "escapist" literature—something to take the mind off tension and stress. Yet others would praise the soothing effect of such hobbies as collecting orchids, keeping white mice, or planting beans in your own back-yard.

Things to avoid looking at are maps of Europe and books on how the last war but one was nearly lost or won.

New biographies of Adolf Hitler are also not exactly cheerful reading even if they predict his violent end on every other page.

Fantastic tricks with your radio receiving set may, on the other hand, be recommended as a diverting pastime. If you are not a linguist, you can listen breathlessly to a fluent Dutch announcer giving you the news from Batavia and imagine it is the Fuehrer waxing furious over the aggressive shape of Mr. Churchill's latest hat.

You may also, by getting confused over wavelengths, imagine that Hitler drops into English in certain passages of his speech and murmurs emotionally: "Tut tut!"

Cheerfulness and the quiet contemplation of life's little ironies, with a little nonsense now and then, are excellent restoratives when confidence and sanity need to be preserved in a madly shaken world. But a greater problem is to devise some means of escape from the war as a constant and sickening topic of conversation.

Someone may object: but what else is there to talk about these days? There is always the weather; somebody else's misdemeanours; your own success on the race-course or at the bridge table; the St. Vincent de Paul bazaar; the price of face powder; how to make two onions grow where only one grew before; and numerous other tremendous trivialities for spirited discussion. Anything but income tax.

As a last desperate resort, one may even talk of the problem of the slums; of disease and poverty and the need for a wider conception of social justice.

These are admittedly dull subjects and may not promote much volubility on the part of studious young men who know exactly how General Gamelin's mind works and can anticipate the next move of Admiral Raeder with astounding prevision. But the thing to remember is that it is still possible to keep up a flow of lively conversation on subjects unconnected with the prevailing obsession.

The tempo of events grows ever swifter, deceptive as is the absence of any important operational activity in the military sphere. An early explosion is the easiest of prophecies on the way the situation is working itself out. It is only the manner and whereabouts of the detonation which remains a matter for speculation. For Hitler, it has been the worst week since war, a week of one rebuff after another. He must do something—or fade out ignominiously.

Molotov Shows His Hand

Molotov delivered Berlin its heaviest blow, and little attempt was made to conceal the seriousness of the shock. In place of a clear warning to the world that Russo-German co-operation was a solid force to be reckoned with to its fullest implications, the Soviet Foreign Commissioner's chief emphasis was upon Moscow's neutrality, her demand for a free hand in international affairs, and the further consolidation of her grip upon the Baltic zone. With the speech went each and all of the considerations which took von Ribbentrop to Moscow with his non-aggression treaty at the critical hour of German decision to invade Poland. The verbal offensive in which Molotov indulged to discredit the Allied war aims afforded no consolation. Nothing could have been more futile than this backing up of a campaign long abandoned in despair by its Nazi initiators.

Italian "Purge"

Rome provided the Fuehrer with his next occasion for rage. With a swiftness characteristic of him, Signor Mussolini carried out a short, sharp purge of the Italian Government and the Fascist Party, the direction of which belied the great Gayda's submission that nothing had changed in the Italian political sphere. What had changed was that the majority of the Fascist leaders most readily disposed to listen to the voice from over the Brenner were given other work to do. Il Duce gathered round him the men more firmly wedded to the anti-Bolshevik ideal. Hitler may to-day be questioning the wisdom of Ribbentrop's diplomacy, which has given advantage to Russia exclusively and strengthened her position in Europe. Il Duce and Rome have never permitted themselves any illusions.

America Moves

For fuller measure, the United States Congress chose this week to speed up consideration of the revised Neutrality Bill, and to pass it through all stages, with the arms embargo repealed. The substantial majority which rewarded President Roosevelt in the House of Representatives may be traced directly to the Russo-German fraternisation. The strength of American sympathy for the Allied cause has not been in any doubt, despite the skillful word-twisting of the extreme isolationists.

Taking No Risks

Disquiet is not confined to Nor-

Battle Of Ideas: By Herman Finer AMERICA WANTS ALLIES TO WIN

Americans, of course, will do as Americans think. The first thing we ought to know about America is that you cannot cut and dry the opinion of a continent. Personal insight into representative bodies of opinion is a far better way of getting our bearings.

A group of young people invited me to speak on the radio in a southern town in favour of lifting the arms embargo for the benefit of the Spanish Republicans. The half-hour was given by the station belonging to the famous Scripps-Howard string of Liberal newspapers. The fan-mail showed that the arguments used appealed to the vast body of opinion.

The Spanish Republicans were fighting for the rights enshrined in the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights which prefaces the American Constitution. Could an America passionately extolling the virtues of democracy deny support to other peoples who are fighting for the establishment of these ideals? If Americans did not actively support them, were they not denying the validity of their own spiritual inheritance and constitution?

I turn now to the number of groups, not necessarily in agreement with each other, called isolationists. The two names best known to English readers are those of Senators Borah and Nye. These men represent quite a large section of American thought which resolutely refuses to recognise any responsibility whatever to European affairs.

They profess not to understand European "power politics." And, in fact, they do not understand the intricacies of the European scene. They say that they have enough to do to preserve and develop American democracy in the great continent in which they happen to live. (The men and women sharing this conviction look at things in this way. Why can't Europeans be sensible and reasonable? Why can't they, as we have done, work on the idea of live and let live? Why can't they, if they really want peace, set up as we have

done a Federal system of Government? Vast numbers of Americans live thousands of miles from big centres of opinion, and are entirely oblivious and ignorant of Europe.

There are some other angles to the isolationist view. Quite a number of intellectuals would not have their Government enter into foreign entanglements, on the grounds that these merely benefited certain industrialists, whose interests would either be protected or forwarded by American armed forces.

I noticed a striking change in this attitude during the whole of 1938 induced by Japanese aggression. They began to see that if you abdicate from the defence of what may seem narrow interests, you are really abdicating from something much more significant. You are denying to your country all the future legitimate prospects of trade in favour of any aggressor. You are sterilising yourselves as a moral factor in the world. Where there is power, there is responsibility.

Finally, among the isolationists are those who are tending to weaken under the force of an argument used against Senator Nye on the occasion of a public debate in New York. It is that, though it may be true that the British Empire is full of slaves, yet the choice which people have to make in the world is not between absolute good and absolute bad, but between two political systems—the Nazi and the Democratic.

The broad body of American thought is pro-Ally, even if it is with regret at the weakness, the want of imagination, mistakes, and even, as some think, the class-egoism of the British Government. This opinion ranges from those, very surprisingly many, who love this country very deeply (including Congressmen), down to those who in the last resort would say, "In spite of it all, England must not be deserted in her hour of need." These people point out that Britain made a great mistake in not having robustly controverted German propaganda denying her guilt

Threat To Finland

In the Baltic, uneasiness intensified sharply. On Finland, M. Molotov played the same trick as he did upon Britain some months ago, disclosing details of negotiations in a manner jeopardising prospects of their success. As the Finnish Foreign Minister put it, by framing the Soviet demands, M. Molotov was placing Russia's prestige into the scales. Finland's decision to resume the talks in spite of this little piece of bludgeoning diplomacy failed to produce any spirit of accommodation or reciprocal understanding. It is not the less tragic that the powerful moral support which the United States gives to Finland's resistance to the challenge to her independence promises nothing more.

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THIS WEEK

them Europe. Germany gave the clearest assurances to Belgium, the Netherlands and Switzerland, prior to the outbreak of hostilities, that their neutrality would be fully respected. But Hitler has pledged his word before and defensive measures were this week increased by all three countries. The whole of the province of Utrecht, in the Netherlands, has been evacuated and placed under martial law, and part of the area has been flooded. Belgium completed measures for evacuation of the border zones, and Switzerland proceeded on much the same lines. Nazi allegations, placing odd interpretations on "neutrality," have not eased the tension.

Imperial Collaboration

In Britain, discussions have been proceeding between the Imperial Government and the Ministers of the Dominions and India for co-ordinating the war efforts of the Empire, with unqualified success. The dominating idea, which has needed no stimulus, appears to be that of doing as much as possible in the shortest possible time, and thereby completing an unpleasant job as quickly as possible. A French writer of experience finds himself able to state that the position of the Allies is growing increasingly strong, and to lose the war now would need some disconcertingly bad management.

Quiet Mediterranean

Elsewhere, the Allied cause has not suffered. President Inonu, in a speech to the State Council, made it clear that Turkey stood for international order and good faith, and had no regrets for the line of her policy, despite the temporary breach in complete harmony of relations with Russia. Italy and Greece exchanged Notes which brought new ease to this part of the world, and the discussions between Yugoslavia and Rumanian statesmen, while in line with the Italian programme for strengthening her interests in the Balkan bloc, also contributes to the erection of a strong barrier to Hitlerite ambitions in this direction.

The "War" Zone

A single communique would cover military operations on the Western Front. Patrols have been out on both sides, there have been occasional skirmishes, and sometimes artillery has been active; with the Germans using their long-range guns to shell villages behind the lines. In the air, nothing has occurred to disturb the Allied cause for satisfaction with the performance of their machines under active service conditions. It is a venturesome German craft which tries reconnaissance over the Maginot Line; and it is a lucky one, if it gets safely home again.

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(Below)—A close-up of Madame Tabouls, the famous French political columnist, taken at a recent broadcast. Madame Tabouls enjoys an almost legendary reputation for her political forecasts, many of which have been correct in the past.



Rain fell in torrents when these women of the Auxiliary Territorial Service were under canvas at Tidworth, Wiltshire, but it didn't seem to dampen their feelings as this picture proves. The girls can still sing before breakfast.



Dr. Edith Summerskill, M.P. and her two children, Michael and Shirley, pose for one of those charming "at home" groups that photographers love. The three were spending a holiday at Abersoch, near Pwllheli, in West Wales, at the time. Dr. Summerskill is M.P. for West Pulham.

Beautiful Miriam Verne, Hitler's favourite American dancer, who has appeared before the Fuehrer several times by invitation. She was to have appeared in a special production of "The Merry Widow" at Munich in July, but this was cancelled by the dancer owing to other engagements. She has since appeared in London, arriving there from Italy.

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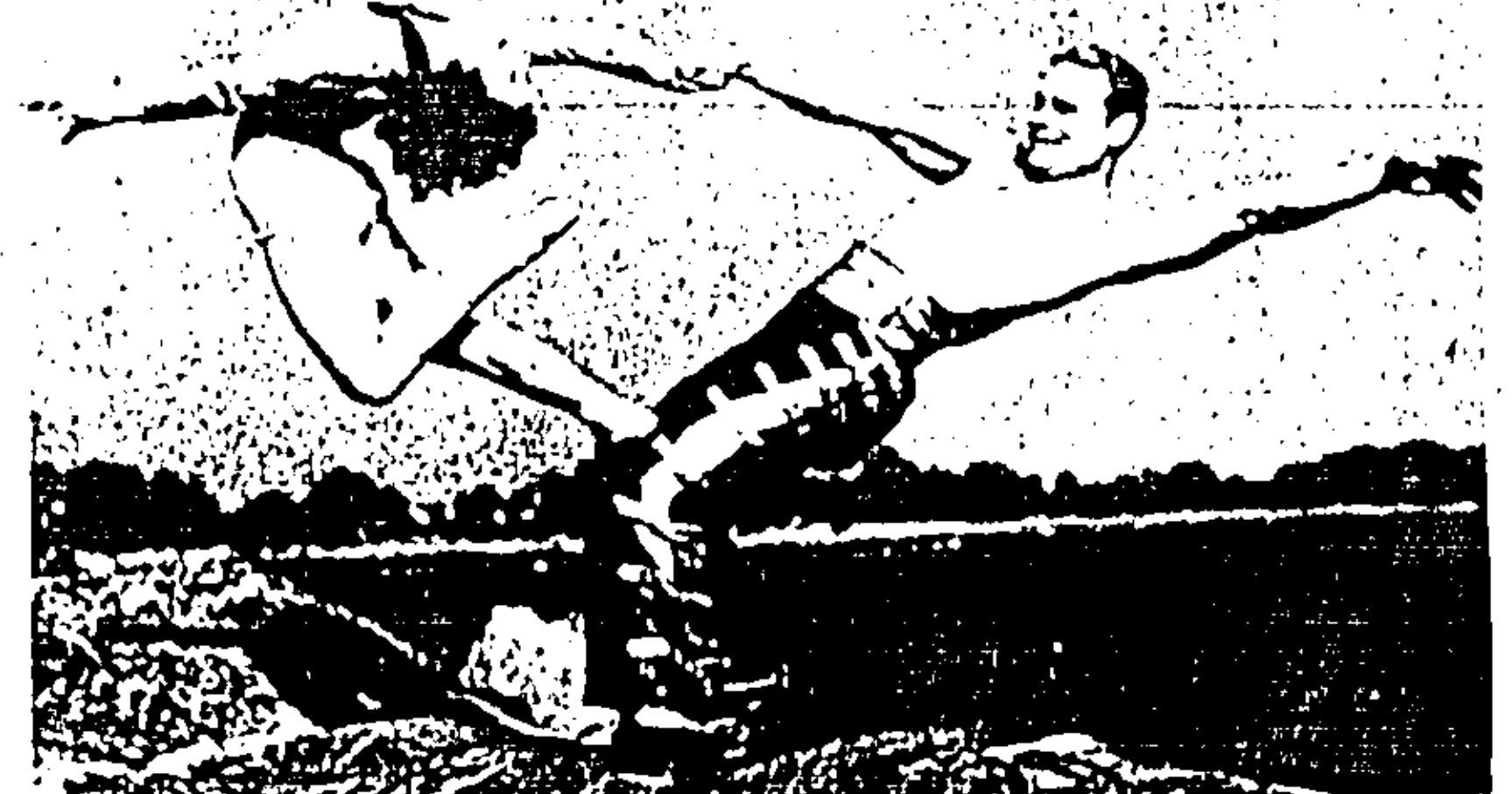
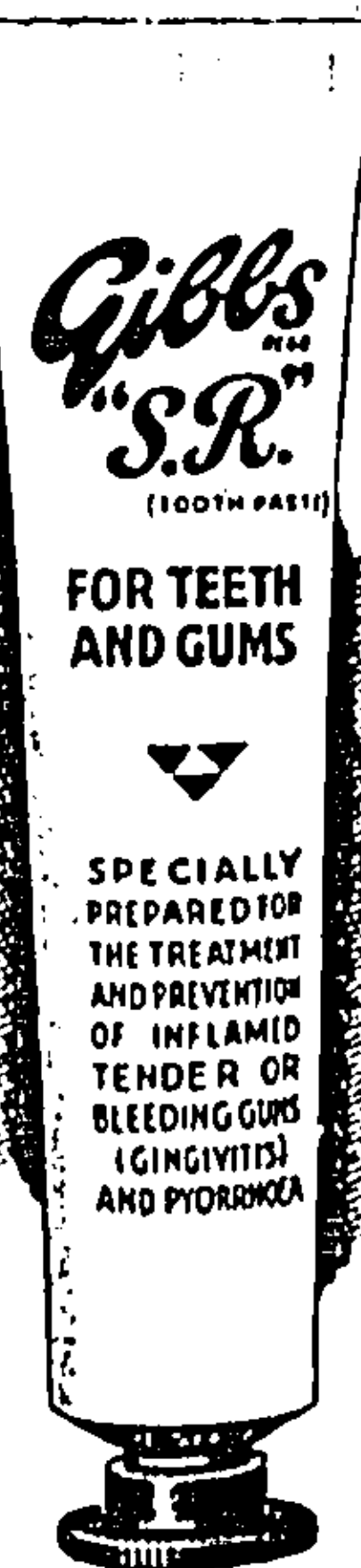
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Jack Starnes and Ann Anavan, famous American Adagio Dancers, try out a new dance routine on the rocks by the sea. The couple who have appeared in London at the Bertram Mills Circus, Olympia, have also danced for Herr Hitler. When this picture was made, they had received a further invitation to dance for Germany's dictator.



This is the life—or is it? The other side of Army life in which a group of "Terriers" is caught washing up after a meal. Scene was the Burley Camp, New Forest.

To-day's Strange Story Of Real People

By VINCENT TOWNE

The Marie Celeste - Why Was She Abandoned

OF all the skippers that have sailed the seven seas, Captain B. S. Briggs of the Yankee bark Marie Celeste has been the cause of the most speculation.

Nautical experts, savants and literary geniuses of world repute have attempted to solve the riddle which he left in his uncertain wake—a wake which has led everywhere and nowhere upon the face of the mighty deep.

With a staunch hull and strong rig the Marie Celeste, on November 7, 1872, sailed from New York from Genoa with a cargo of alcohol in casks. Captain Briggs hailed from Marlon, Mass. He took along his wife and two-year-old baby. The bark's two mates and one man of her crew were Americans. The other four men in her fore-cabin were Germans.

According to her log she passed the island of St. Mary's in the Azores, on the 24th of November. Ten days later the British bark Dei Gratia, bound from New York to Gibraltar, sighted her drifting aimlessly about under partial sail. Suspicious of her eccentric behaviour, Captain Newton Goodhall of the Dei Gratia, hailed her, but received no response. Boarding her, he made a discovery that set his jaws agape and his eyes staring. It was not a scene of blood and carnage but a spectacle so peaceful that it was uncanny. The Marie Celeste had been mysteriously abandoned in the open sea.

Bad weather had not caused her crew to leave her. A bottle of medicine was standing upright on the skipper's table, where a moderately heavy sea would have upset it. Pirates had not frightened Captain Briggs and his comrades away. The

cargo was undisturbed and in the fore-cabin were the sailors' chests, filled with their clothing and money, untouched. Skipper Briggs' gold watch hung beside his berth.

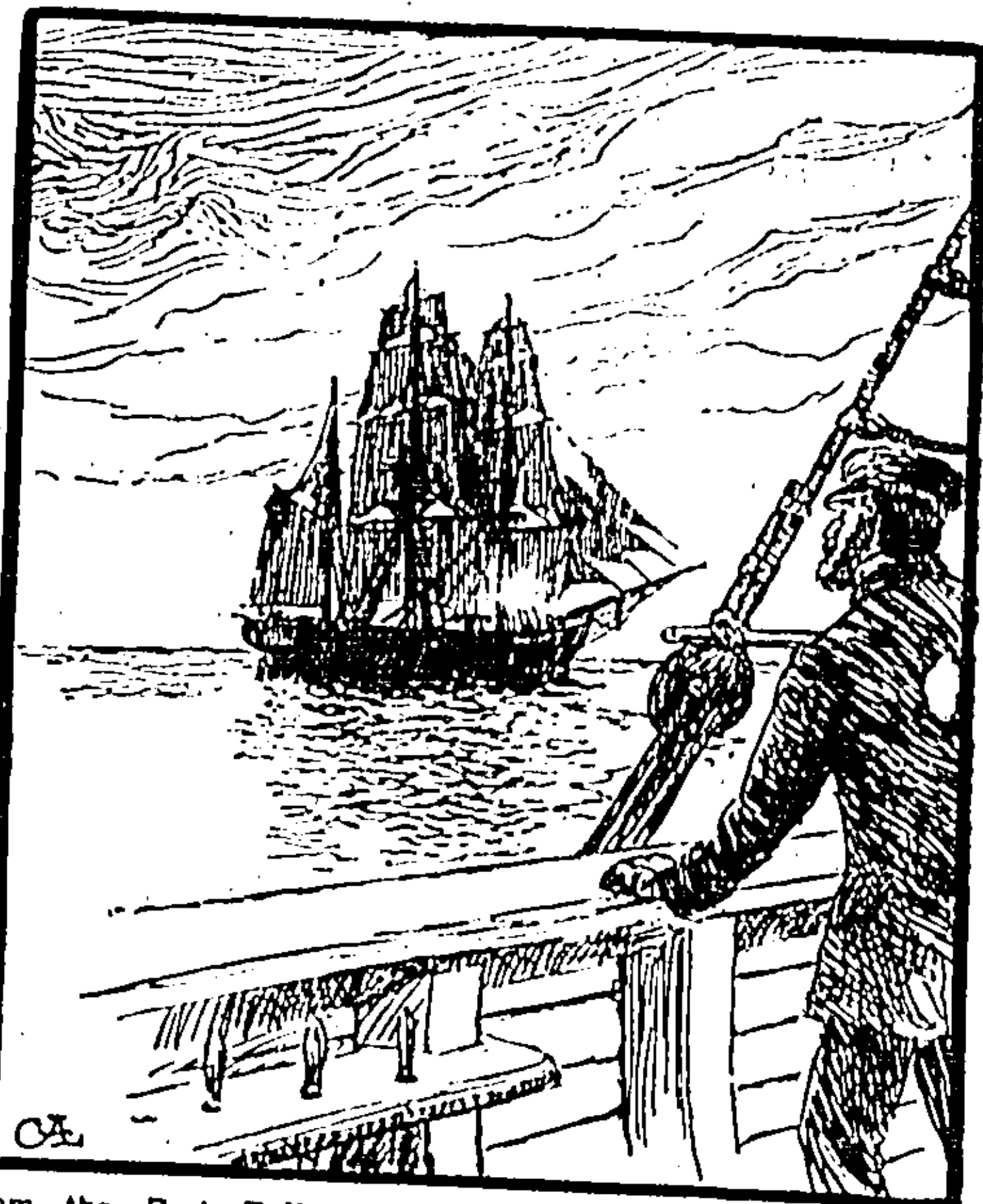
Starvation had not threatened. There was plenty of food. In the galley victuals had been prepared for the next meal. There was also plenty of water. And all about was searoom enough for a considerable cruise. No shoals or rocky coasts were near.

Yet there was every indication of a sudden, although peaceful, abandonment of the ship. Upon the log following the usual routine entries had been scrawled: "Fanny, my dear wife—"

The entry was unfinished. Apparently, the interruption had come while the skipper was writing it. Was it to have been an account of something untoward that had befallen his spouse? And was this emergency the cause of everyone's suddenly leaving the vessel?

Mrs. Briggs had hurriedly dropped her sewing. Upon her table in the cabin were threaded needle, scissors and a bit of partly sewed material, lying as if hastily tossed aside. On the open melodeon lay music that had apparently been played since the cabin was last put to rights. There was still the impression left by a baby's head upon the pillow in the crib and toys were strewn about on the cabin floor. On the wall the clock still ticked.

The fore hatch was open, but whether one of the boats had been launched was a matter of doubt. If none was put to sea all aboard the Marie Celeste must either have gone into the sea or had been taken aboard some other craft. Yet in all of the intervening years no boat



From the Port Rail Captain Goodhall Sighted The Ghost Ship.

has reported visiting her. And why should it? She was in excellent condition, ready to proceed on her cruise. If Captain Briggs, his family and crew did embark in one of his ship's boats it would probably have been sighted at sea or upon some beach even after it had over-turned and drowned its human freight.

No signs of storm. No evidence of famine. No shortage of water. No fear of a dangerous coast. No evidence of piratical attack. No relics of mutiny, struggle or bloodshed. No leakage and nothing wrong with steering gear, rigging or navigating paraphernalia. What is the answer?

The owner, the late J. H. Winchester of Rahway, N. J., could never venture a solution. Neither Messrs. Meisner, Ackermann & Co., the New York firm to whom she was chartered. Many fanciful theories as to the fate of her vanished occupants have been offered. According to one, Captain Briggs became insane as the result of rough weather encountered in the open sea. But granting that he did, were there not seven able-bodied men aboard, capable of resisting his crazy commands? According to another theory, the casks rattling about in the hold sprang a leak and the resulting alcohol fumes, threatening to smother those on

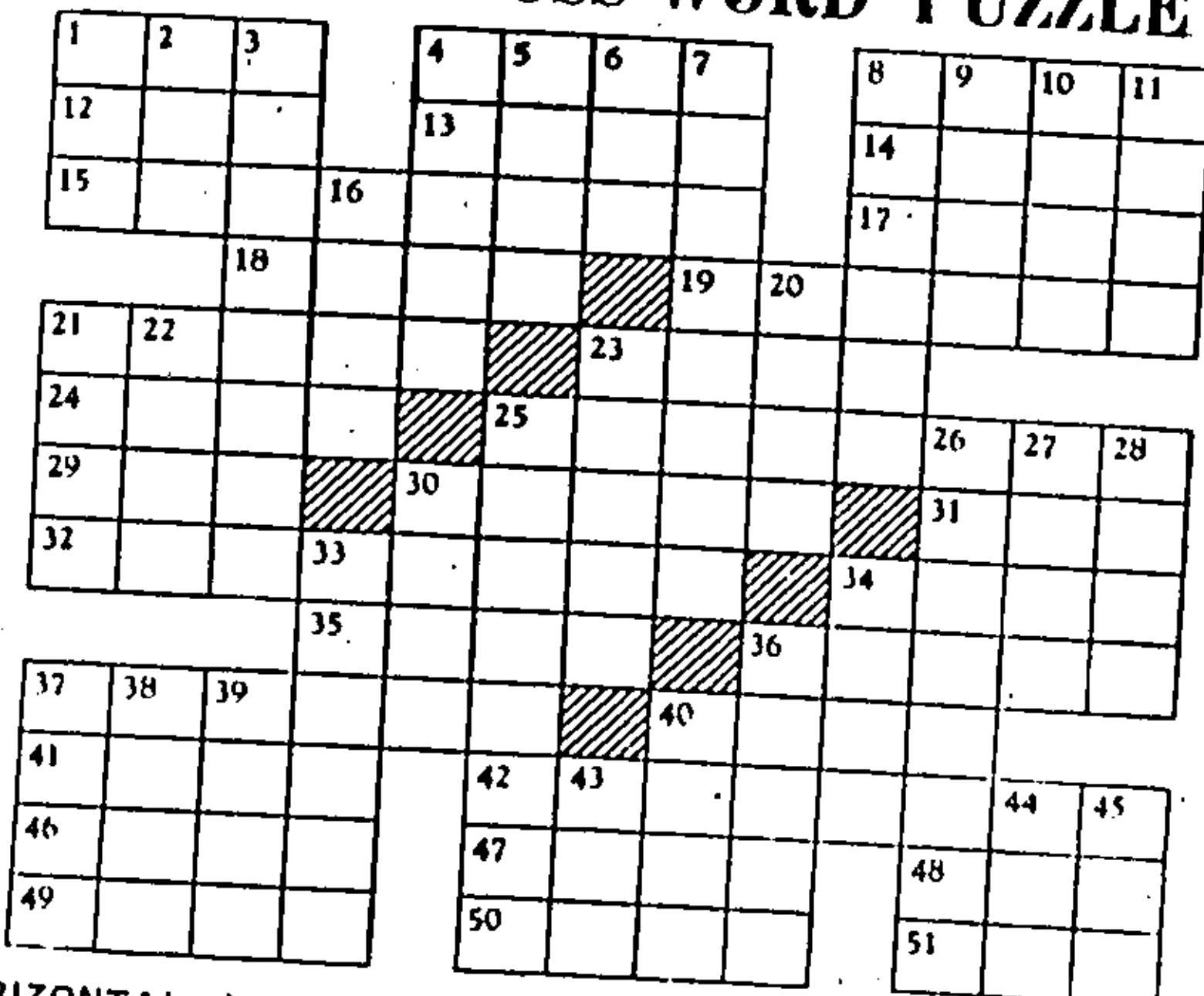
board caused their hasty exodus. But the evidence says that the cargo was intact.

In September 1931 a London paper printed a fantastic story in the effect that one Abel Fosdyke, had in an English seaport town just made a deathbed confession that he had, forty years before, been the sole survivor of the Marie Celeste. All others aboard had gathered on a diving platform to witness a swimming contest between Captain Briggs and his first mate and a sudden gust of wind had shifted a boom and knocked the platform into the sea. Fosdyke alone still clung to the platform when rescued by a fishing schooner. He kept his silence for two score years because he joined the Marie Celeste's crew to escape arrest for a murder of which he was innocent.

The Marie Celeste was taken in hand by Captain Goodhall and the crew of the Dei Gratia. They sailed her to Gibraltar as a prize and she eventually fell into the hands of a skipper who, a dozen years later, was alleged to have run her upon a reef in order to collect insurance for her owners.

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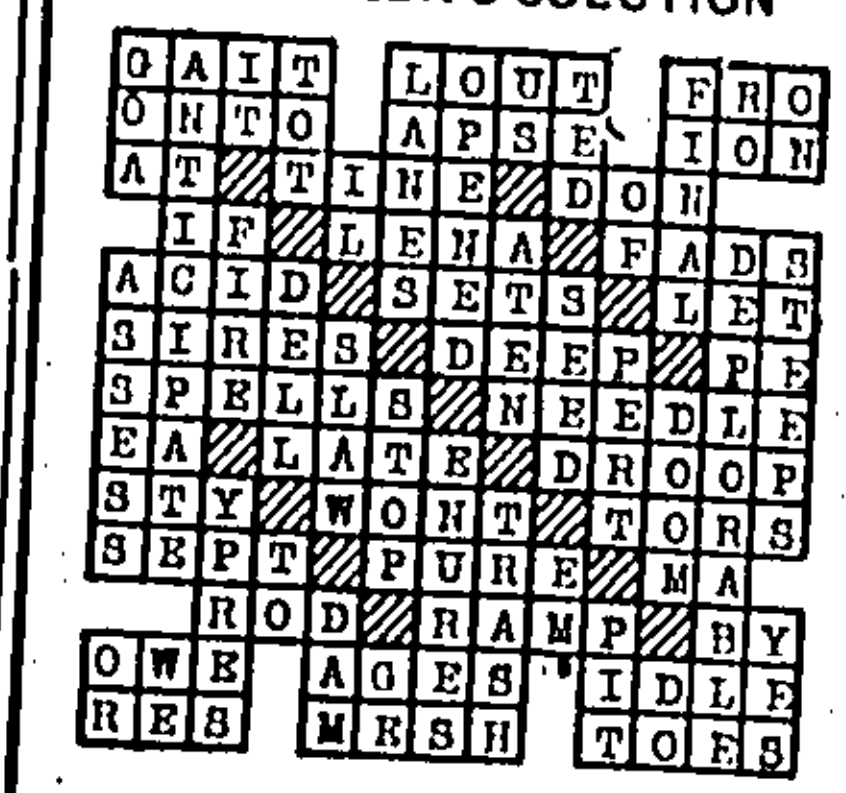
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- 21 To entice
- 23 In addition
- 24 Tune
- 25 Comes in again
- 26 Inlet
- 30 Endures
- 31 In poker: to call
- 32 Climbing plant organs
- 34 Let it stand
- 35 Outfits
- 36 Bubbles up
- 37 To appoint
- 40 Brewers' yeast
- 41 Collective fund

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- 5 Pity
- 6 Silk worm
- 7 Football players
- 8 Most terrible
- 9 Medicinal plant
- 10 To count
- 11 Cutting tools
- 16 Ox of Celebes
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- 21 Missile
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Patricia Lindsay tells you how to Brighten Up Faded Hair Through Intelligent Care

This is a good time to think of your hair beauty. Now that the new season is settling upon us, we must take precautions to counteract the damage of sun, salt water and neglect which our heads experienced during the summer days.

The most common complaint is dryness, and a runner up is a hair that has lost its color. "My hair hasn't the color it used to have," "I can't make my waves stay in," "My ends are brittle," "My new permanent wave is a total loss." Women the land over are disappointed with their hair, and expect beauty editors to give them a miraculous treatment which will restore beauty at once!

To Recondition Dried Hair

Finger massage of the scalp and daily brushing of the hair are two cardinal rules for hair beauty. Every single day you must take a few moments to massage your scalp with finger tips, loosening it so it will slide over your skull easily. A tense scalp restricts normal hair nourishment, so keep your scalp relaxed.

Just brushing your hair in any

old way with any old brush isn't going to restore much of its lost beauty. You must brush with a good brush which has long graduated bristles, and use the wrist flip, starting close to the scalp and brushing outward and upward to the full length of the hair. A good way to know you are brushing correctly is to bend over at the waist and let your head hang downward. Then brush rhythmically, at least one hundred times, separating the hair in chunks so no part of it will be neglected. Ever so often wipe your brush on a hand towel to take the dust and oil from it. Such a polishing and stimulation will do more for your hair than almost any product you may buy.

When To Shampoo

If the weather is not too hot, or if where you live is not too dusty, do not shampoo more frequently than every two weeks. Some girls find it necessary to their comfort to shampoo every ten days, which is all right, providing your hair is not too dry. The daily brushing keeps the hair clean and you may cleanse your scalp two or three times a week with a bit of special dry hair tonic.

The night before you shampoo, massage your scalp well with heated pure olive oil, or with half olive oil and half odorless castor oil. If you shampoo your own hair at home wet it thoroughly with cold water before shaking with cold shampoo. This cold soaping helps to strip the oil from



Brushing your hair correctly is more than half the art of taking proper care of your hair and scalp. An expert can show you how it is done.

the hair. The second soaping should be with very warm water (not hot) and your rinsing must be thorough.

If Your Hair Is Faded

The only sure, safe method of adding a little colour to your hair at home is by applying a henna pack. This however, is bound to leave reddish highlights on your

hair, so if you object to that don't use one. But many heads are made more lovely by clever use of henna, particularly heads that are beginning to fade permanently.

Full directions for giving your hair a henna treatment are available. If you follow the directions accurately you can bring fresh beauty to faded, tired hair.

FOR YOUR BEAUTY'S SAKE

Keep mascara away from your eyelids! Apply it to the tips of your lashes only. When mascara is close to your eyelids it closes down the opening of your eyes and this makes your eyes look smaller. Wally Westmore in Photoplay.

Don't underestimate the importance of ice water and ice. Get into the habit of rinsing your face with ice water after each cleansing. Slip it on until your skin is positively cold. Once a week, after a cleansing, wrap pieces of ice in a clean cotton cloth and rub briskly from base of throat to hairline. Never put ice directly on your skin. Alicia Hart in The N. Y. World Telegram.

Soiled lamb's wool powder puffs can be made as soft and fluffy as new. Wash them in light suds, rinse out all soap and hang the puff up to dry. When dry use your

comb for combing out all tangles. Then flip the puff over your hand three or four times to fluff up the woolly threads.—The Denver Post.

A splendid movement for not-so-slim ankles consists of standing behind a chair with a fairly high back, placing the hands on it and rising on the toes. Retain this position for a second, then lower Repeat 12 times but do not keep up the exercise once the muscles begin to be fatigued.—Woman's Sphere, London.

You girls who brown about one thing or another can get a box of frowners and stick them on when you are alone, or working hard. You won't be able to manage a wrinkle no matter how hard you try. A frowner is a stiff paper form with paste on one side, which is moistened and pasted on the forehead.—Jane Grey in Your Beauty.



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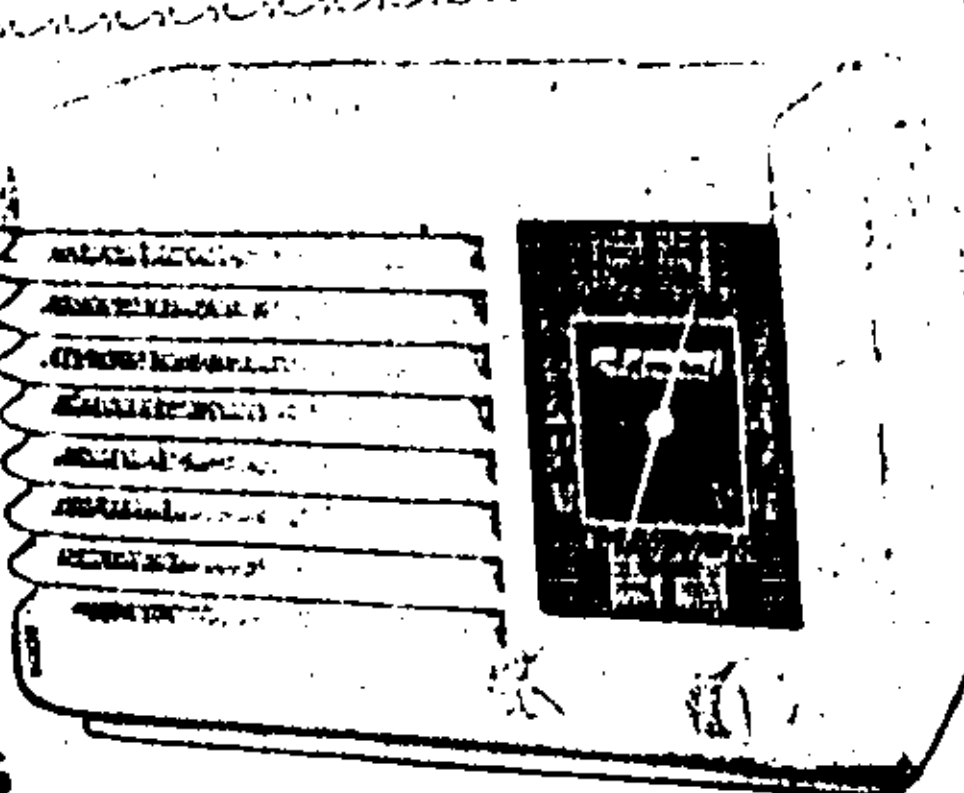
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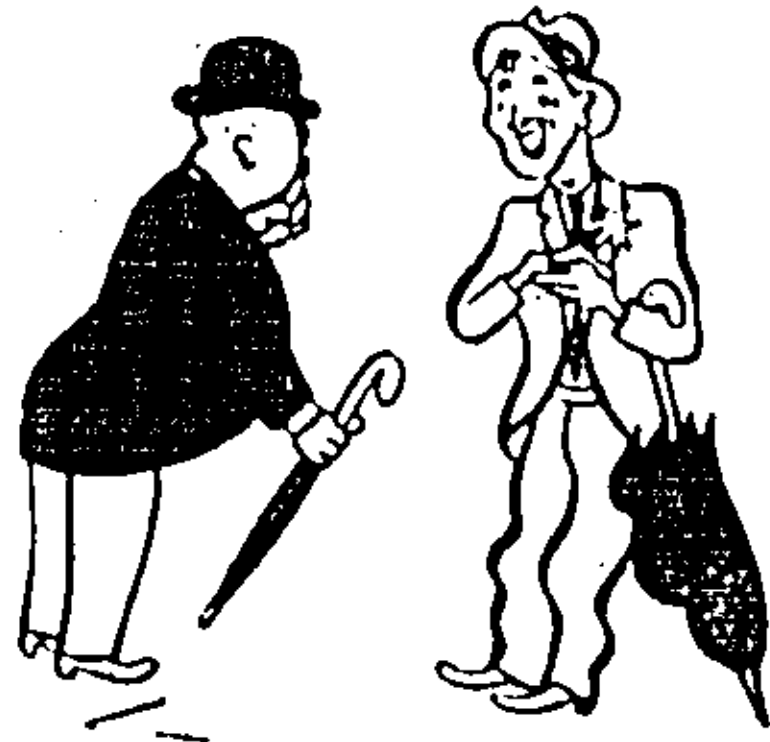
PHILOSOPHY:

Thanks, I've Had A Marvellous Day

By LADISLAS LAKATOS.

"HALLO, I haven't seen you for ages. How are you?"
 "Thanks, I've had a marvellous day."
 "Really? There aren't many people who can say that."
 "Well, I definitely can. I've had an excellent day. I might say, a very lucky day."
 "You certainly look cheerful. What happened? Did you win the Irish Sweep?"
 "No. But—"
 "Well? I'm curious to hear, out with it. What happened?"
 "What happened? Oh, lots of things. Too much to tell you all in one breath. To begin with, I didn't fall in the river—"
 "I beg your pardon?"
 "Oh, that's nothing. You wait till you hear the rest. I've had a marvellous day because I didn't fall in the river, I didn't jump out

Wing propaganda, to which I must add my good fortune in not having been bumped off by a gangster, and my equal good fortune in not being the owner of that five-storey mansion in X Street which, if it hadn't been burned to the ground might easily have been if someone had set light to it and if a Fire Brigade hadn't arrived in time.
 "But all that's nothing! None of my plays has been a flop-to-day, although there are more than ten thousand theatres in Europe and at least as many in America. And then consider all the minor bits of good luck I've had to-day. For instance, nobody has given me a black eye, my furniture hasn't been disarranged, I wasn't found dead in my bath, didn't get drowned swimming in the sea, there hasn't been an earthquake and so I wasn't burned up by a stream of lava, I wasn't stab-



taken off to a lunatic asylum. My mother hasn't cursed me, my children haven't disowned me, my shoes and socks haven't been soaked through with rain, and, most fortunate of all, the world didn't come to an end to-day, it hasn't even collided with that well-known comet which has been drawing steadily nearer for hundreds of years. What do you say to such a wonderful day, to such incredible luck, to—"
 "I suggest that you might like to celebrate your great good fortune with a little champagne supper."
 "That's very kind of you. But a man who's as lucky as I am can't accept an invitation from a poor fellow like you. Besides, there is no reason why I should have supper, seeing that I haven't had any lunch."
 "How was that? Didn't you have time?"
 "I had no money. All day I haven't had a penny in my pocket, nor a bite to eat. And what of it? Who wants to eat lunch on such a marvellous, extraordinarily lucky day? It's quite unnecessary. Don't you agree?"



of a sixth floor window, I wasn't run over by a tram, nor by a car—"

"Listen, this is—"
 "Let me finish. I've had a marvellous day because I didn't catch cholera, I didn't get lost in the Sahara or freeze to death at the North Pole, not to mention that I wasn't on the ship that sank off the coast of Africa with all passengers aboard. Imagine, there were more than three hundred passengers, three hundred unfortunate people, and I wasn't among them, three hundred unhappy souls and I wasn't one of them. But what's that compared with the fact that I wasn't killed in the war, in China or anywhere else, not to mention that my wife hasn't quarrelled with me once to-day, and my children didn't fail although it was examination day at their school to-day."

"A wonderful day! I wasn't sentenced to death for larceny or embezzlement, I wasn't even denounced to the police for spreading Left

bed in a quarrel, or put in prison, or shot through the heart from motives of jealousy or revenge, or even by accident.
 "There were no printer's errors in my last article, the telephone hasn't rung once to-day, and I wasn't

Jests Under The Breath

HOLLYWOOD is to make another film of *Romeo and Juliet*. A suggestion that Miss Mae West should be cast for the leading feminine part was negated in spite of the fact that her famous slogan would have been very appropriate in the balcony scene.

A Belgian barrister, who has been a lifelong opponent of smoking, drinking, dancing and mixed bathing, has just celebrated his ninetieth birthday. It is not known what is to blame for his longevity.

"For no obvious reason, the cuckoo leaves its sunny winter, abode, and returns to the cold English spring," says an ornithologist. Anyway, it thoroughly deserves being called a cuckoo.

A phrenologist claims that he can tell if a man has any money by studying the back of his neck. You can try this in a taxi, but more than likely the driver won't have any change.

A Sussex hen has laid an egg with markings which look like a clock face showing the hands at six minutes past eleven. We can't think what it means unless it's something to do with the Battle of Hastings—1066 and all that.

The other day a bandit entered a Paris restaurant and threatened to shoot anyone who moved. We know a restaurant where the waiters, at any rate, would be quite safe in similar circumstances.

One firm of musical instrument makers exactly halved their output of saxophones last year. That's the spirit—we hope they do twice as well this year.

A piper playing on the pier of a Scottish coastal resort fell into the sea and was supported in the water by his inflated instrument. We always felt that ultimately a use would be found for these things.

According to one scientist, there was perpetual sunshine in Britain a million or so years ago. But then,

of course, in those days there were no picnics, car-washers, sun-bathers or summer holidays.

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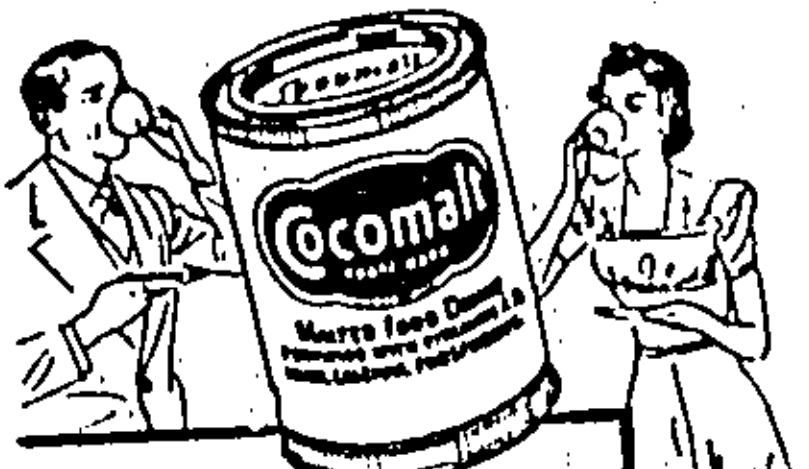
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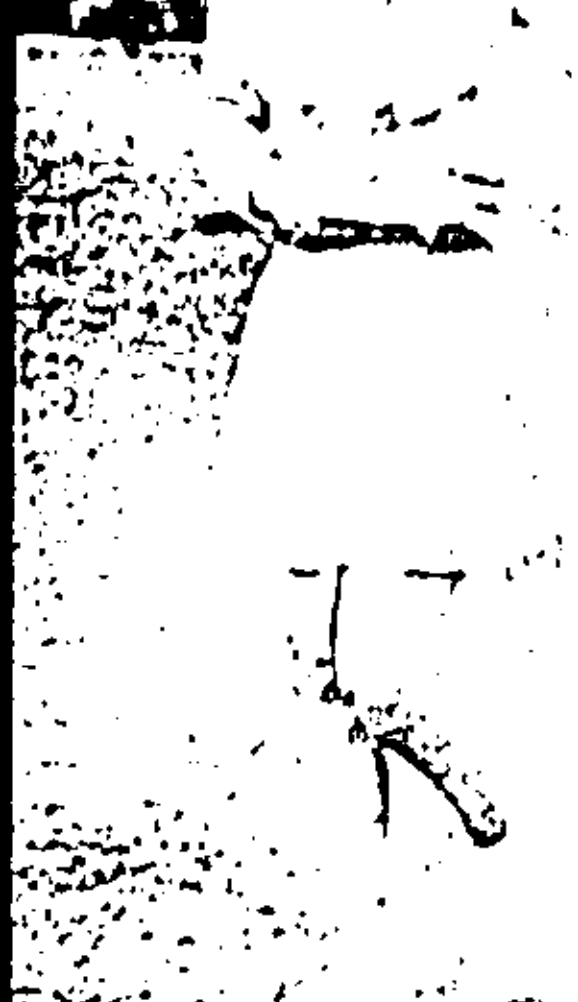


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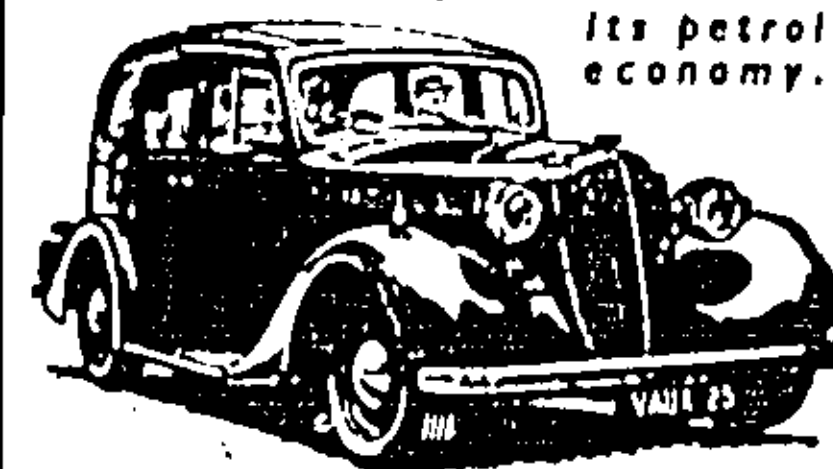
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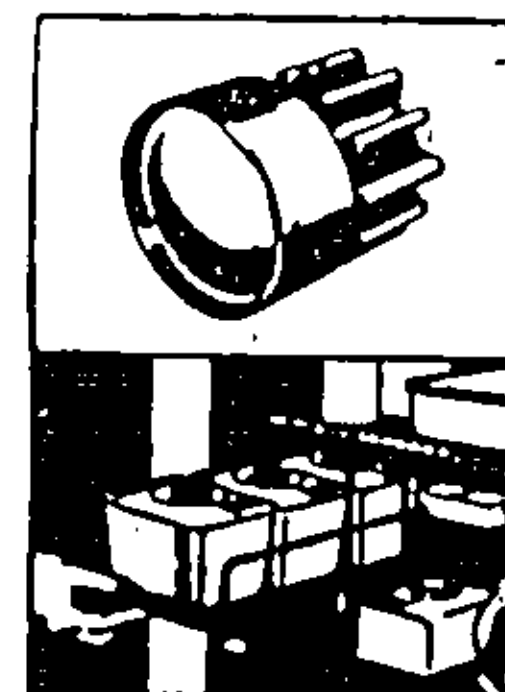
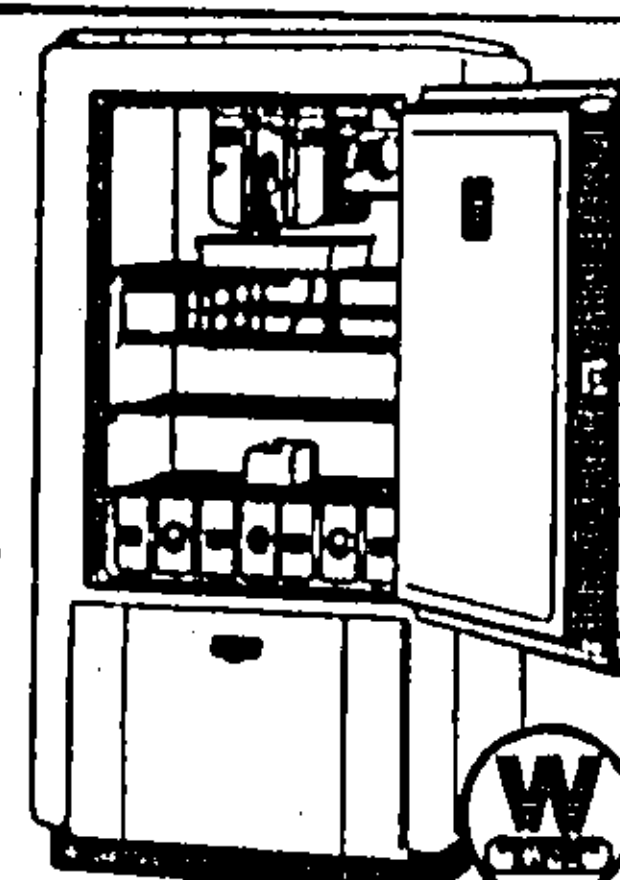
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TO-DAY

If a woman and November 5 is your birthday, a desire to keep your mind occupied may make you a voracious reader or very fond of games that require mental concentration. You probably have a fondness for excitement, and to satisfy it, might take very foolish risks. Lady Luck ought to be a very good friend to you. Through her aid you are liable to come into possession of a considerable sum of money. Publicity, secretarial or literary work, as well as selling, interior decorating, acting or lecturing are mediums through which great success might come to you. You should experience all of the blessings that matrimony might bestow.

The child born on November 5 is usually a convincing talker, with a gift for wheedling people into doing things. Children born on this date, frequently become social, political, or commercial leaders, and generally succeed in acquiring their share of worldly goods.

If a man and November 5 is your natal day, as long as you do not permit yourself to become self-centred and absorbed in making money, your family and friends may have a wealth of love and affection to offer you that will enrich your life. As a commercial enterprise executive, sales representative, inventor, manufacturer, journalist, lawyer, politician or actor you ought to be successful.

MONDAY

If a woman and November 6 is your birthday, if you are socially ambitious, you can feel optimistic regarding your future progress, for your circle of acquaintances seems to be due to grow within the next twelve months. With little effort you ought to be able to keep your temper under control; you must do this so that it cannot interfere with your happiness. You should always be able to achieve your objective, as you most likely have much determination. You are apt to be extremely sensitive, and unless you make a sincere effort to overcome this trait, it can easily make you quite miserable. As a church worker, singer, artist, musician, writer, actress or sales agent you may do exceptionally well. Your matrimonial life prospects give indication that some of your dearest hopes involving your domestic affairs will be realised in a way that will make you very happy.

The child born on November 6, generally has remarkable intuition and plenty of common sense. Strength of character will prevent this youngster from being easily led into doing wrong. Fond parents can expect children born on this date to make a success of their lives, and to help make the world

If a man and November 6 is your natal day, if you temper frankness with mercy and ambition with unselfishness, your chances for success are unlimited. As a clergyman, publisher, journalist, artist, manufacturer, banker, accountant, merchant or broker you may win a fine reputation and financial security.

TUESDAY

If a woman and November 7 is your birthday, courage, optimism, good judgment, and possibly a quick temper that you cannot learn to control, are apt to be your outstanding characteristics. As an interior decorator, artist, writer, actress, educator or broker your success and financial returns are likely to be

Mary Blake Gives You - - - YOUR BIRTHDAY HOROSCOPE

On this page are horoscopes for people whose birthdays fall within the coming week, and who were born under the Zodiacal Sign of Scorpio.

most gratifying. You ought to have no difficulty in making a success of your married life.

The child born on November 7 is usually unselfish and ready to share whatever it has with those it is fond of. Some intellectual or artistic pursuit may ultimately be the making of this youngster.

If a man and November 7 is your natal day, through some sudden inspiration you might discover the means of making a great deal of money. Through journalism, law, medicine, the stage, the lecture platform, musical composition, salesmanship or radio work your results may extend beyond your most ambitious expectations.

WEDNESDAY

If a woman and November 8 is your birthday, should you have any financial problems, be consoled by the fact that you may soon have them solved in a very satisfactory manner. You ought to have nimble fingers and feet, a quick eye, and a steady hand. You are perhaps given to mimicking people, in a good-natured way, but be careful that this inclination does not get you into trouble. By being a conscientious worker, you probably will attain a very high position, and one of great trust. Patience is one virtue you must cultivate. Through some line of dramatic work, physical culture, writing, singing, and the playing of a musical instrument, or selling you may have a prosperous and successful career. Many

of your friends may envy you for your happy married life.

The child born on November 8 is unusually quick to recognise and correct its faults. Most children born on this date, possess an unusual degree of intelligence.

If a man and November 8 is your natal day, with aggressiveness, extreme cleverness and a magnetic personality you may achieve remarkable business or professional results. As a promoter, lawyer, doctor, actor, mining engineer, chemist, musician, manufacturer, inventor or broker your position in life may be assured.

THURSDAY

If a woman and November 9 is your birthday, you have a will of



Columbia's Joan Perry is smartly suited for town in a plaid skirt of tailored trimness, and jacket with fan-shaped patch pockets. Scarf, gloves, bag and hat, all blend harmoniously with the outfit.

this youngster. Luxuries and ease may reward the earnest efforts and hard work of Scorpio's children born on this date.

If a man and your ambitious aim in life is a worthy one, it is likely to be realised. As a physician, lawyer, architect, builder, contractor, promoter, ship-builder, engineer, author, actor, or broker, fame may claim you and richly reward your conscientious efforts.

SATURDAY

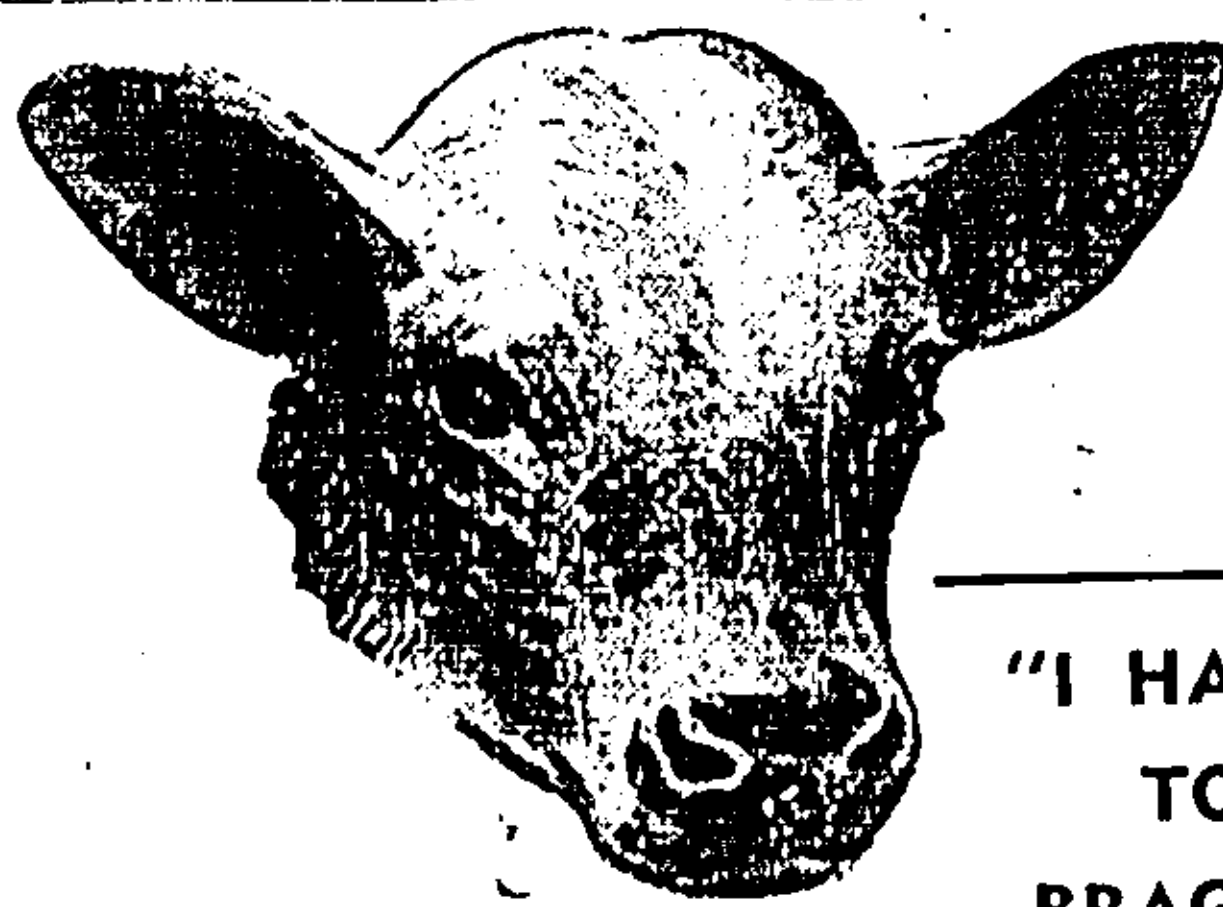
If a woman and November 11 is your birthday, you ought to have an unusual amount of poise, determination and self control. You have the ability to be agreeable under the most trying circumstances. You have, in all probability, an inventive mind, and if you apply yourself to solving a problem you should have very little trouble in finding the solution. Be careful that price does not become a stumbling block in the furthering of some ambition. Your chances of making, inheriting or being presented with money or its equivalent, appear to be excellent. Through designing, managing a gift, beauty, or specialty shop, writing, singing, or acting, prosperity and happiness may make the world seem to be a worthwhile place in which to live. You may feel most optimistic regarding your matrimonial prospects.

The child born on November 11 should not be encouraged in developing likes and dislikes, particularly in the matter of food. This youngster has plenty of spirit, that may remain latent if the child is tied to its mother's apron strings. Children born on this date must learn to do things for themselves, if they are to amount to anything.

If a man and November 11 is your natal day, be careful that in your desire to make money you do not over-reach yourself by trying to handle too many things at one time. As a contractor, agriculturalist, mining engineer, botanist, explorer, author, actor or promoter lady luck may be with you continually.

MODERN MIRACLE

Stainless steel was a good invention. But stainless clothes seem like a much greater miracle. According to reports, the research department of the Imperial Chemical Industries has a process which renders cotton, silk, rayon, linen, etc., proof against stains. Henceforward, napkins will be at a discount, and soup and tea may be spilt with impunity on evening gowns and sofa covers.—London Industrial News,



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If a woman and November 10 is your birthday, you may be too reluctant for your own good, to accept advice. To make the progress you should, be engaged in earning a living, you must use modern methods and keep yourself well posted on current events. Most people born on this date are socially ambitious and frequently make too many sacrifices to try to gratify their aspirations. You might have a foolish disregard of danger, frequently taking unjustified chances, so as to show your maintenance to it. As a journalist, restaurant manager, insurance and real estate broker, model, interior decorator or actress a fine reputation may get you a lot of favourable publicity and an extremely fine income. Your matrimonial future looks most promising.

The child born on November 10 should be able to memorize with ease. In the field of sports there seems to be a definite place for

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MODERNISING CHINESE TEXTILES

Miss Liang Pao Tze Aims to Establish Modern Factory.

SEVERAL years ago, America was pleasantly surprised to welcome to its shores the first woman delegate ever sent to that country by the Chinese Government.

She was Miss Liang Pao-tze, a commercial artist of some distinction.



Miss Liang Pao Tze, Nanking's Official Style Envoy, and first Chinese woman delegate to the United States.

and the daughter of Liang U. Chang, former President of the Bank of Communications and Chinese representative at the signing of the Nine-Power Treaty. Miss Liang was sent as a delegate from the Chinese Ministry of Industry to make a study of textile designing for the purpose of modernising an-

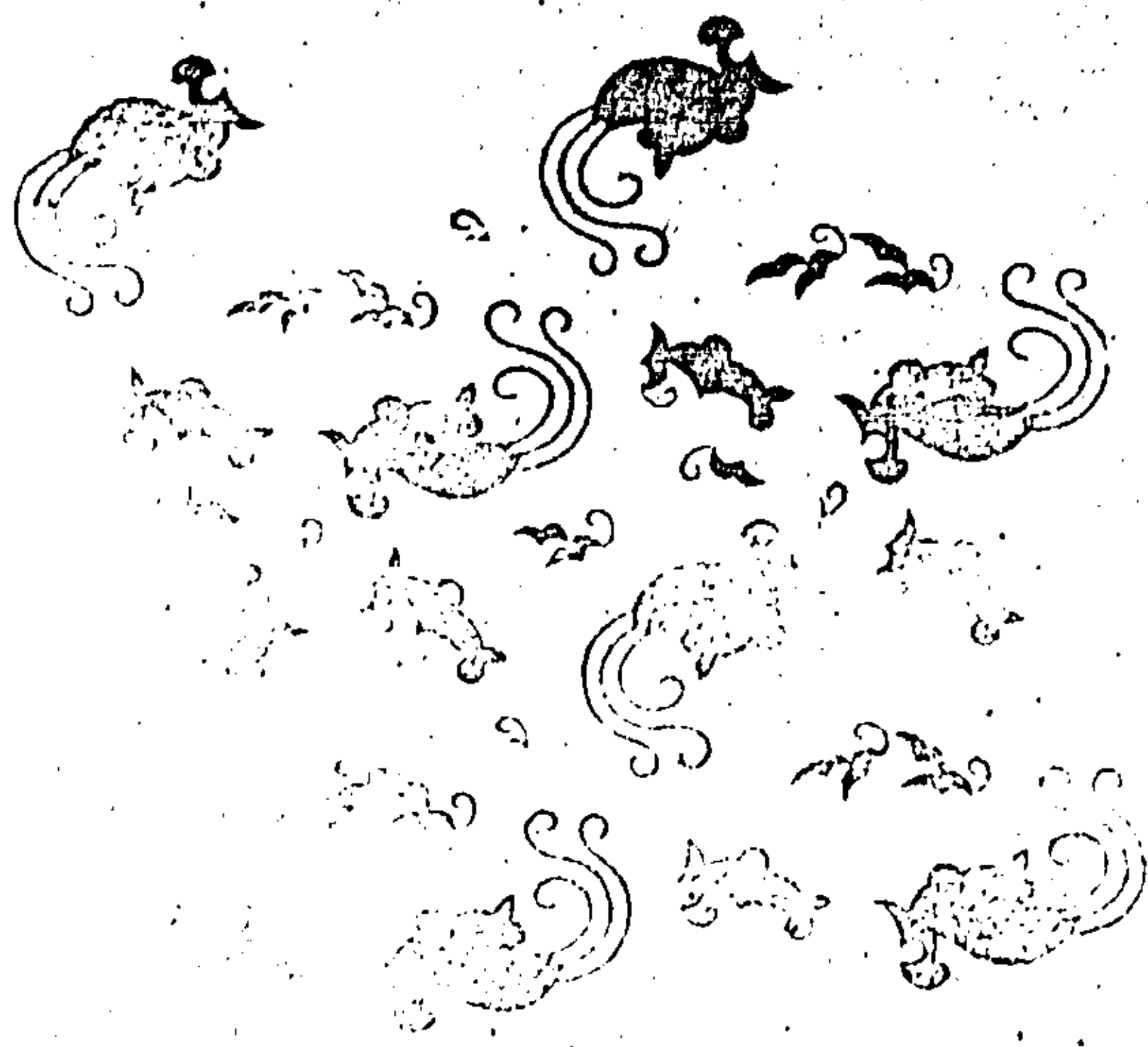
cient Chinese designs to meet present market requirements in foreign countries. To this end she made the Rhode Island School of Design her headquarters, and studied diligently in famous American textile mills to learn something of their technique.

To-day, this daughter of a conservative, aristocratic Chinese family is director of the China Industrial Art Centre in Hong Kong, where Chinese students are learning modern methods in industrial designing. Her ambition is to arouse in them a love of expression, to awaken their creative ability so that they may supply the world with beautiful goods, reflecting the ancient traditions of China, but modernised for Western use. And when all the spare work has been done, her ultimate aim is to establish the first modern-textile factory in China.

In speaking of Chinese textile to-day, Miss Liang said:

"For ages we have admired the French woman and her world-famous chic, and praised the English tweeds. The exquisite modern design, and the attractive machine-made goods of the United States, have also been the objects of admiration. But when this has been said, we should be proud of our own textile products.

In the field of art there is no limit to the capacity for develop-



Inspiration from an ancient design belonging to the Han dynasty. Miss Liang goes back 206 B.C. for an idea.

ment, especially in the case of textiles. For thousands of years Chinese textiles of gorgeous designs and texture have assumed a place of pre-eminence.

"In order to maintain our record of good workmanship, and follow the current achievement in textiles, we must know the psychological reactions of the social changes of modern civilisation and be ready to spread our ideas in the modernisation of materials and designs to meet changing demands. We must keep our finger on the pulse of fashion and changes in social usage. In point of necessity of keeping in-

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"What made you decide at the last minute to put off your wedding by two days?"
 "Well, you see, I reckoned it out that my silver wedding would come on a Saturday, and I always go to football on Saturdays."—*Koralle.*



"Professor Schnitzlebaum claims to be able to make butter from milk."—*Lilliput, London.*

"What colour hair has your father, Sonny?"
 "Black."
 "And your mother?"
 "Blonde."
 "And your grandfather?"
 "Oh, he has only a head."—*Aconagua.*

"I hear you've been to a school for stuttering. Did it cure you?"
 "Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers."
 "Why, that's wonderful!"
 "Yes, but it's did-darned hard to work into an ordinary c-c-conversation."—*Maryland Old Line.*

"May I use your telephone?"
 "Certainly! Is yours out of order?"

"Not exactly, but sister is using it to prop up a window. Ma's cutting biscuits with the mouthpiece, and baby is teething on the cord."—*McGill News.*

"I'm 60 years old," said a wealthy man to his friend, "and I want your advice. Do you think it would be better to tell a certain young lady, whom I would like to marry, that I am 50?"

"Well," said his friend, "if you want me to be quite frank, I think your chances of getting her would be better if you told her you were 75."—*Oklahoma Gold Brick.*

In the coal-car of a freight train, two hoboes were discussing their future.

"I'm through with this life," said the first one. "From now on, I'm going to make something of myself."
 "What's the matter with you?" queried the other. "You got ambitions?"

His pal nodded.
 "Yes, sir," he chirped. "Beginning to-morrow, I ride only on fruit trains."—*New York Journal.*

"Why the sad expression?"
 "My wife again! Women are so incalculable. Whenever I have wanted to go to the mountains for a holiday, my wife has insisted on going to the seaside. If I wanted to go to the seaside, she has insisted on going to the mountains. This year I particularly wanted to go to the mountains, so as a precaution I said that I would like to go to the sea. And would you believe it she said that she would like to go to the sea!"—*Die Woche in Bild.*

"Do you know Miss Bibben?"
 "Oh, yes. When we were young we were the same age." — *Guerin Meschino.*

A recent advertisement states "It took 12,000 workers to put that bottle of milk at your door."

Yes, it sounded as if it did. — *Sante Fe Magazine.*

"Did you go on a honeymoon, Suzabelle?"

"Ah suppose you might call it dat, ma'am. Henney done help me wid de washing de fust week."—*Detroit News.*

A bargain is a good buy. A good-bye is a farewell. A farewell is to part. To part is to leave. My girl left without a good-bye. She was no bargain anyway. — *Oklahoma Covered Wagon.*

On a train one day, Little Audrey heard a passenger say to the conductor as the trainman punched his ticket: "Good morning, Mr. Glass." But Little Audrey just laughed and laughed. She knew that couldn't be his name, because glass is not a conductor. — *Carnegie Tech. Scottie.*

King: "Suppose we change places!"

Jester: "No, your majesty."

"Why not? Would you be ashamed of being a king?"

"No, but I should be ashamed of having such a poor fool." — *Musket (Vienna).*

Professor: "Mr. Smith, will you tell me why you look at your time-piece so often?"

Smith (suavely): "Yes, sir! I was afraid, sir, that you wouldn't have time to finish your interesting lecture, sir." — *Missouri Showme.*

The parson had been preaching an hour and a half on the immortality of the soul. "I looked at the mountains," he said, "and I thought, 'Mighty as you are, you will be destroyed, but my soul will not. I gazed at the ocean and cried, 'Vast as you are, you will eventually dry up, but not I.' And then he wondered why a titter ran through the congregation."—*Pearson's Magazine.*

A salesman who had been travelling on a certain railroad for a number of years was complaining about the trains always being late when, to his surprise, the train came in on time.

He immediately went to the conductor and said: "Here's a medal. I want to congratulate you. I've travelled on this road for fifteen years and this is the first time I ever caught a train on time."

"Keep your medal," said the conductor, "this is yesterday's."—*Grit.*

Twenty or more college men were taking time off in a little beer joint when a bad hombre came thundering in, shooting his pistols right and left, and said to them, "Every one of you dirty skunks get out of here." When the dust resulting from the mad scramble to the door settled, everybody had fled but a lone little fellow. The bad man turned to him with his pistol still smoking, and said, "Well?"

"There sure were a lot of 'em," answered the freshman. — *N.Y.U. Medley.*

This from the programme of the College Club scholarship benefit.

Harvard Man: "I've a friend I'd like you girls to meet."

Byrn Mawr Girl: "What can he do?"

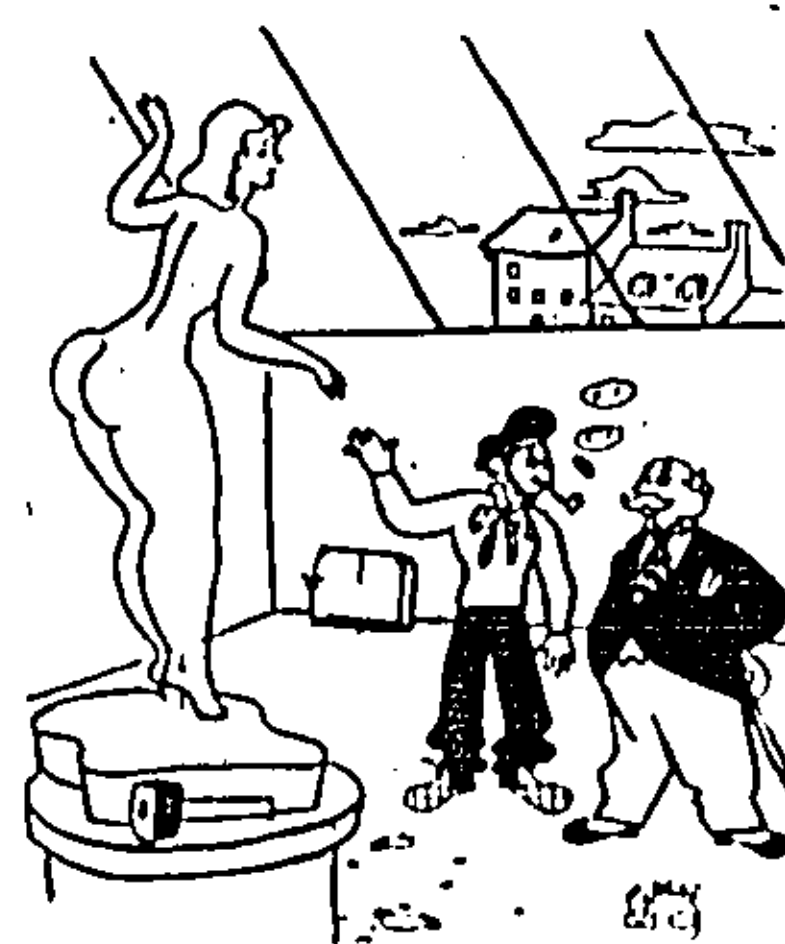
Wellesley Girl: "How much has he?"

Randcliffe Girl: "What does he read?"

Vassar Girl: "Who are his family?"

Holyoke Girl: "What church does he belong to?"

Smith Girl: "Where is he?" — *St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*



"A model posed for the top part, but my wife became jealous and posed for the bottom herself." — *Marianne, Paris.*

"Doctor, I can't sleep at nights."

"Take a glass of milk every half hour during the night."

"Will that send me to sleep?"

"Well, even if it doesn't, it'll help to pass the time away." — *Australian Women's Weekly.*

A friend of mine, a most respectable fellow, has decided to separate from his wife, and in order to break his contract he has had to obtain what is known as "hotel evidence," which has upset him very much.

"My solicitor said to me," he remarked, "that I must be careful to be remembered by the waiter."

"Indeed!" I remarked.

"Yes," he continued, "I think I have succeeded. The morning after this awful performance I rang the bell and ordered four bottles of champagne, four dozen oysters, and four dozen peaches for breakfast."

When the waiter had gone I poured the champagne down the bath, put the oysters, with the exception of the shells, and the peaches, with the exception of the stones, into an old suitcase I had brought for the occasion, and then rang again and told the waiter to clear away.

"Mon Dieu!" exclaimed the waiter "but Monsieur has an appetite!"

"Usually, yes," replied my friend, "but to-day I was not hungry."

I fancy he will be remembered.

—Viscount Castlerosse in "Love, Life and Laughter." (Mellifont Press).

He rescued me from all of these: Erasers, clips and washroom keys, From salesmen's gags, and stamps, and vaults,

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—ALYCE HAMILTON in "Saturday Evening Post, Philadelphia."



"No, don't tell him I'm here. I'll go straight up and surprise him." — *The Humorist, London.*



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An Accumulation of Interesting and Humorous Odds and Ends Noted in the Month's Reading

The Chinese guerrillas, bewildered and maddened the Japanese because among other reasons, they paid no attention whatever to the "rules" of warfare. Japanese kill then prisoners, and the sensible Chinese knew that uniformed men, if caught, would meet death. So the Chinese simply wore their everyday clothes. They fought without uniforms! (Result: Japanese, in some sections, killed all Chinese they captured). —John Gunther in "Inside Asia," (Harpers).

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This recipe for Indian whiskey was invented by the Missouri River traders in the early days. You take one barrel of Missouri River water, and two gallons of alcohol. Then you add two ounces of strychnine to make them crazy because strychnine is the greatest stimulant in the world, and three plugs of tobacco to make them sick because an Indian wouldn't figure it was whiskey unless it made him sick, and five bars of soap to give it a head, and half a pound of red pepper, and then you put in some sage brush and boil it until it's brown. Strain this into a barrel and you've got your Indian whiskey. One bottle calls for one buffalo robe, and when the Indian got drunk it was two robes. And that's how some of the traders made their fortune.

—E. C. Abbott ("Teddy Blue") in "We Painted Them North," (Farrar and Rinehart).

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One of the punishment rooms of the harem of Sultan Valide was underground. It was dark, save for the light from a hole in the roof, through which a great heavy square stone depended on a thick rope. The victim was put in the room and told to stand on a treadle which worked the stone and kept it aloft, as he kept moving quickly from one foot to another. The instant he stopped the stone fell with a crash, crushing him to death.

Another punishment was the room of distorted mirrors. Floor, ceiling, walls were covered with mirrors. The prisoner wherever he looked saw only himself. Each day the reflection became more wild-eyed and terrible. Each day a guard would call from an aperture asking the victim what he would give for a drink of water; the cruel laugh which came was all the reply the imprisoned man ever got, and, eventually crazed by thirst, hunger and the hundreds of reflections, he became mad.

—Nitisha Sultana in "My Harem Life."

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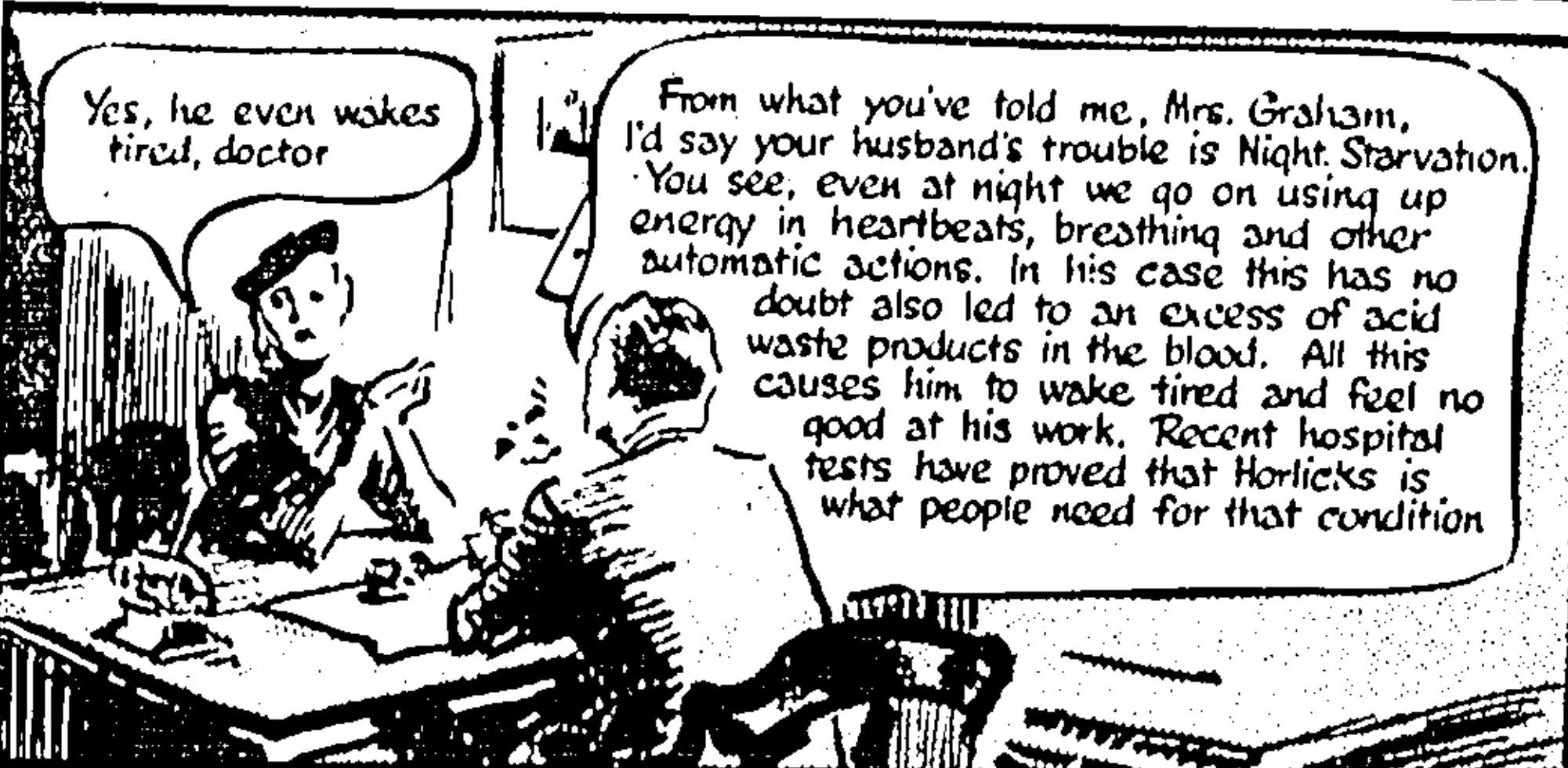
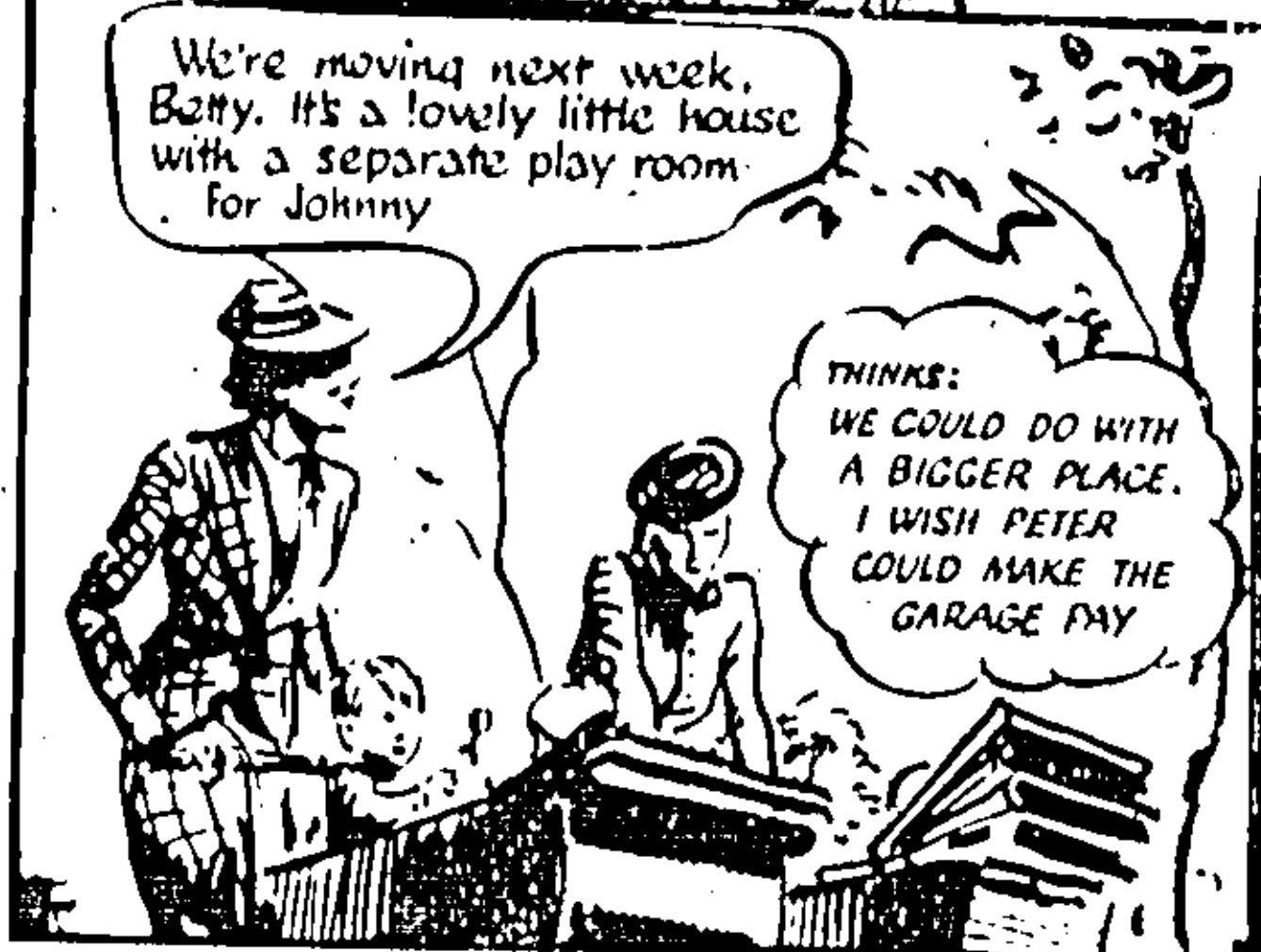
Japanese are "small" men. But Japan is a land of giants from the point of view of finance and industry.

The mammoth "Five" of Japanese economy—the House of Mitsui, Mitsubishi, Sumitomo, Yasuda, and Okura—which embody a concentration of financial power unparalleled in the world, and which are a unique and extraordinary factor in the life, private and public, of Japan. These five houses control not less than sixty-two per cent. of the total wealth of Japan. Seventy per cent. of Japanese textiles, forty per cent. of Japanese bank deposits, are in their hands. The three biggest of them, Mitsui, Mitsubishi and Sumitomo, control about one-quarter of all Japanese trade and industry, and 16.54 per cent. of Tokyo's capital investment is held by Mitsui alone.

In no country in the world does a single giant concern account for such a share of the national economy. Mitsui is a colossus beside which organisations like Du Pont, Standard Oil, Imperial Chemicals, seem like children.—John Gunther in "Inside Asia," (Harpers).



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WEDDINGS AND OTHER MATTERS



Lieutenant John Gordon Whittaker, of the Royal Artillery, and his bride, the former Miss Wendy Winifred Willcocks, daughter of Major J. L. Willcocks, D.S.O., M.C., Commissioner of Prisons, and Mrs. Willcocks, who were married at St. John's Cathedral on October 25. His Excellency the Governor was represented at the ceremony by his Aide-de-Camp, Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith.



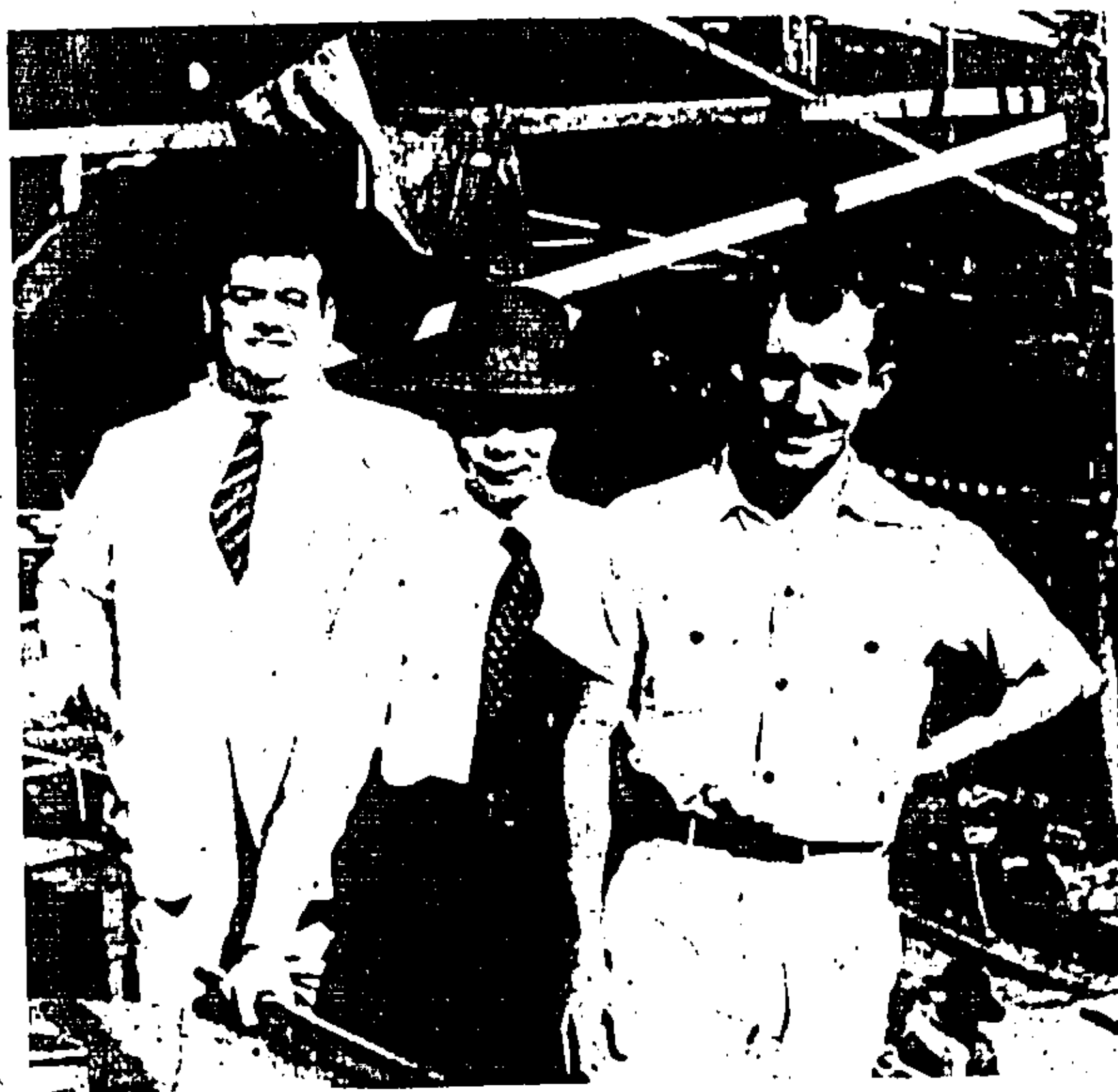
St. Joseph's Church was the scene of this wedding on October 27, between Lieutenant N. H. M. D'Oyly, of the Royal Scots, and the former Miss Dolores Gregory, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gregory of 460 The Peak.



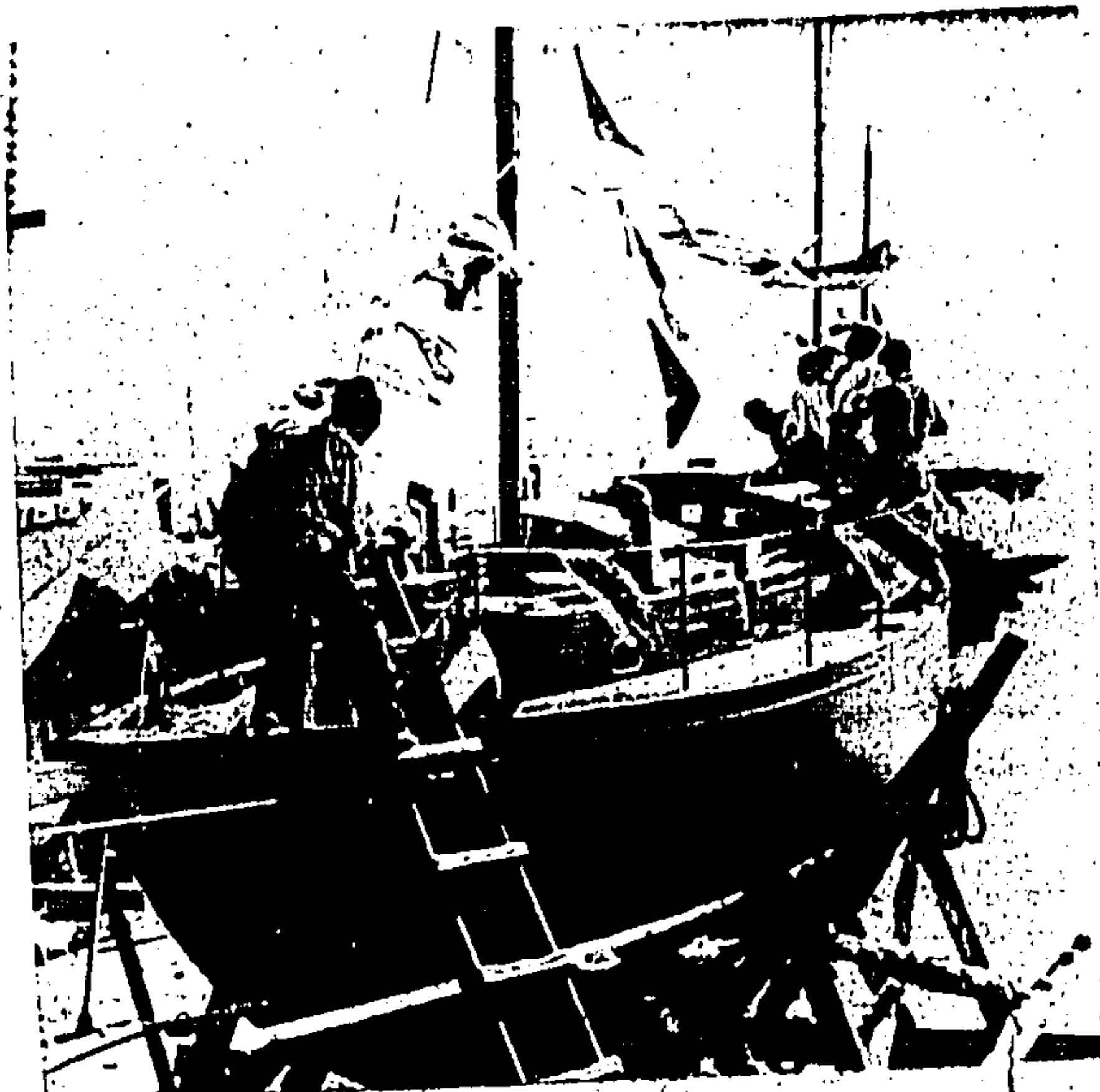
Francis (Dunny) Braga, seated in the centre of the above group, celebrated her 2nd birthday last Sunday when this photograph was taken. The two children on her right are Leslie Williams and Sheila Braga, while on her left is Coralle Wolfe.



Mr. Fong Kam-shun, local merchant, poses with his bride, the former Miss Li Po-lin, outside the Registry, Supreme Court, following their marriage there on October 28.

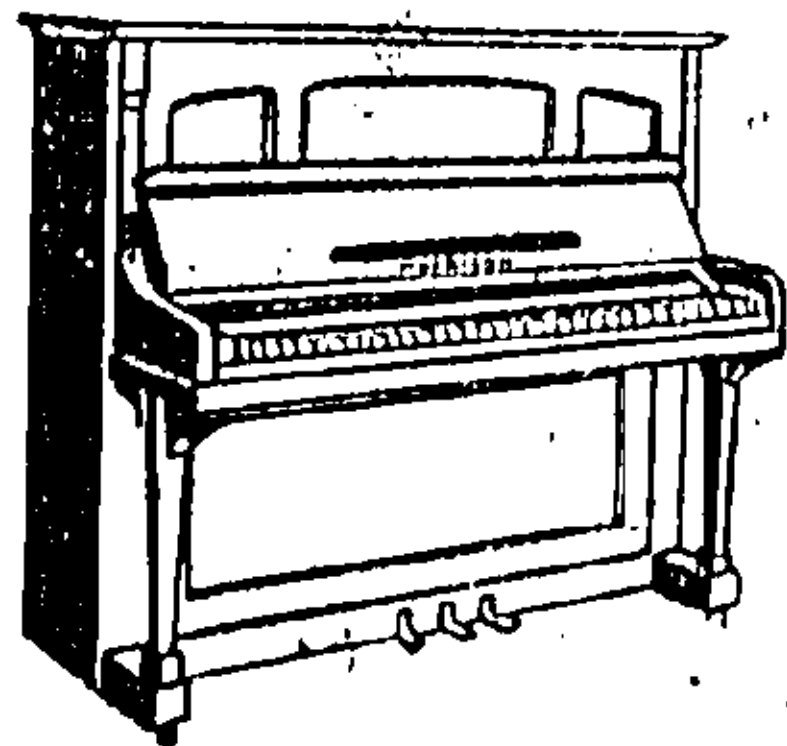


Mr. A. Carmelo, Mexican Consul in Manila, who may be seen in the centre of the above group, is the owner of the luxury cruising yacht at right. The vessel, which is called the "Elvira", was built locally under the supervision of Mr. "Ernie" Moses of Messrs. Moses and Company, Hong Kong, and launched from Chean Lee and Company's slipway in Kowloon on October 26. Mr. Moses and Mr. L. Stagg, navigator of the "Elvira", are shown above with the vessel's owner.



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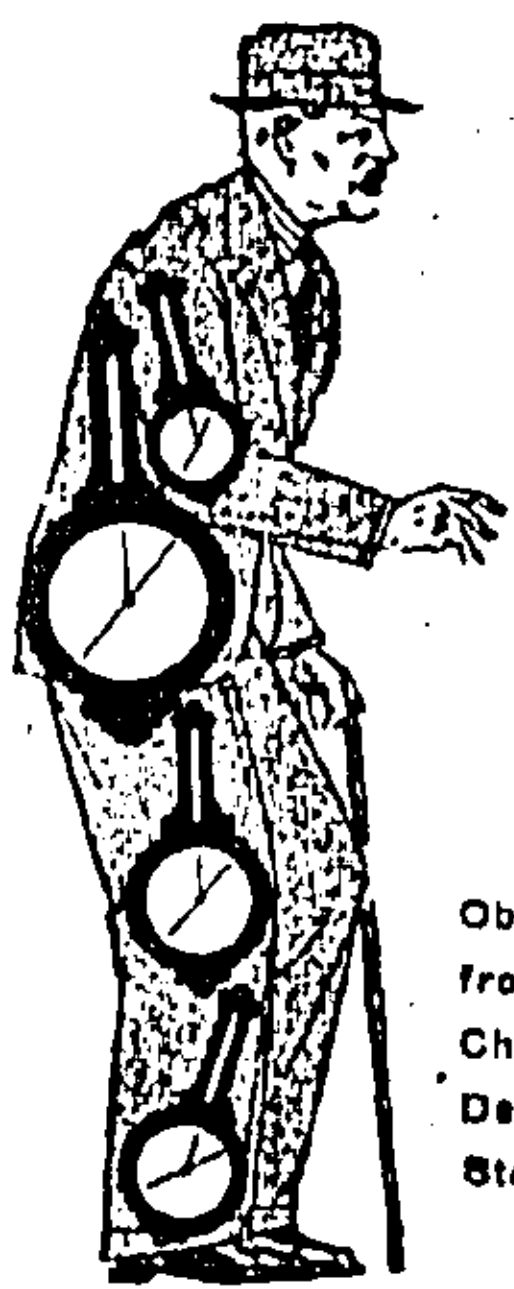
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NO CLASH

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between the two great
divergence between those
than existed between the
of Imperial Russia and those
of Republican France in 1914. In-
deed such divergence, far from
being greater, is considerably
less. Stalin and Hitler are closer
to one another today than
Nicholas II and Clemenceau
ever were.

A clash may come between Ger-
many and Russia but it will not be
the result of the ideals appertaining
to either of those countries, because
ideals in fact play very little part in
the policy of either. If they quarrel
it will be over material interests, not
over ideals.

Meanwhile the agents of both are
busy in other countries and for the
first time they are working together.
In England the Fascist Sir Oswald
Mosley and the Communist Mr.
Harry Pollitt are to one. That is the
first thing that we have got to under-
stand, to get into our own minds
and to impress upon the minds of
others if we wish to understand the
present political situation.

This alliance of those who
have hitherto been mortal
enemies is directed to one end
—namely the defeat of France
and Great Britain. That is the
second fact to understand. Both
parties, the Communist and the
Nazis, in England are insignificant
in size and influence, but they
are well disciplined and obey
orders. One of them relies upon
foreign subsidies for its existence
and faithfully carries out the
orders of its paymasters.

Mr. Lloyd George's Speech An Error: There Must Be NO SURRENDER

The time that has elapsed
since the conclusion of the
Soviet-Nazi pact is still
comparatively brief and the
full significance of that
event is still not fully real-
ised.

The large numbers of people both
in Great Britain and elsewhere in
Europe who persisted in believing
that Nazism represented the Right
in politics and was upon the whole a
Conservative force have only reluc-
tantly and perhaps not completely
rid themselves of that dangerous
illusion. There are some of them
indeed who still cling to it and who
talk hopefully of the clash that is
likely to occur between the Nazi and
the Communist Ideals in the near
future.

MOMENT PROPITIOUS

The moment is propitious for
many reasons. In the first place the
people of Great Britain have hitherto
experienced all the horrors of and
weariness of war without any of the
torment and tragedy. They are
bored but they are not angry. They
have learnt to dislike but not to
hate.

In the second place, while they
were grimly determined to face the
bombs they were less well prepared
to face the budget.

They were expecting to see the
houses laid in ruins but it is
only their banking accounts that
have collapsed and it is while
they are ruefully contemplating
their cheque books that the in-
sidious propaganda whippers in
their ear "What are we fighting
for? Why go on?"

The case is then developed as fol-
lows. We went to war to save
Poland—but we were unfortunately
unable to save Poland. Poland has
been destroyed. What is the use of
fighting for a corpse? It is not even
a complete corpse for it has been
divided into two parts. If we suc-
ceed in beating Germany we are
then to proceed to fight Russia in
order to restore all the limbs of this
dismembered body? Would it not be
better to come to some sensible ar-
rangement now and so avoid the
loss of money and the loss of life
and then await the quarrel that is
certain to arise between Germany
and Russia when we can hold the
ring and watch with indifference
our two great enemies destroying one
another?

It sounds so simple — this poison-
ous and deadly doctrine. And it is
meeting with considerable success.

When Mr. Lloyd George re-
cently urged in the House of
Commons that no peace pro-
posals should be lightly dismis-
sed, I saw at once the danger that
his words, innocuous in them-
selves, contained. I knew that
they would be misrepresented and
misconstrued.

There is no danger, and there
never has been, of the Government
lightly dismissing any proposals for
peace. But equally there is no hope
of Germany in her hour of victory
putting forward any peace proposals
that would not mean the defeat of
Great Britain and France.

It cannot be too often repeated that
it was not for Poland but for Europe
that we went to war. I was one of
those who believed that we should
have done so a year ago.

I said then when I resigned from
the Government that if we had

fought it would not have been for
Czechoslovakia but for Europe that
we should have been fighting.

Subsequent events convinced the
British Government that if they al-
lowed Germany to triumph over
Poland the cause of Europe would
be lost.

Therefore, any peace that is
now made with the Hitler Re-
gime in Germany, no matter
how favourable the conditions
might appear on the surface,
would in fact be not only a de-
feat for Great Britain and
France but also would form the
prelude to another war into
which we should be launched
under even worse conditions.

Therefore, I repeat, those who
are working for peace, some of them
honestly, some of them dishonestly,
as paid agents of England's enemies,
are all working for a policy of sur-
render and defeat.

It was significant that Mr. Lloyd
George's speech, already referred to,
was supported in the House of Com-
mons by a member of the extreme
Right as well as by a member of the
extreme Left.

The old proverb "Extremes meet"
was never so true as it is in politics
today.

We have been asked to believe
that Nazism was called into being
to withstand Communism.

We have seen Nazism and Com-
munism shake hands and we see
them now pursuing together the
common quarry of both—which is
Christian civilization.

Here in England, as on the Con-

thent of Europe, we must beware
of that conjunction of extremes.
England has always stood for the
middle, the moderate and, in a Con-
tinental sense of the term, the "li-
beral" point of view.

The terrible danger contained
in Mr. Lloyd George's speech
was that it appealed to just that
middle, moderate, liberal mind,
open to argument and reason and
full of hatred of war.

When the powers of darkness are
allied together they are formidable
but not invincible. It is when the
powers of darkness delude into their
service the angels of light that the
situation becomes really grave.

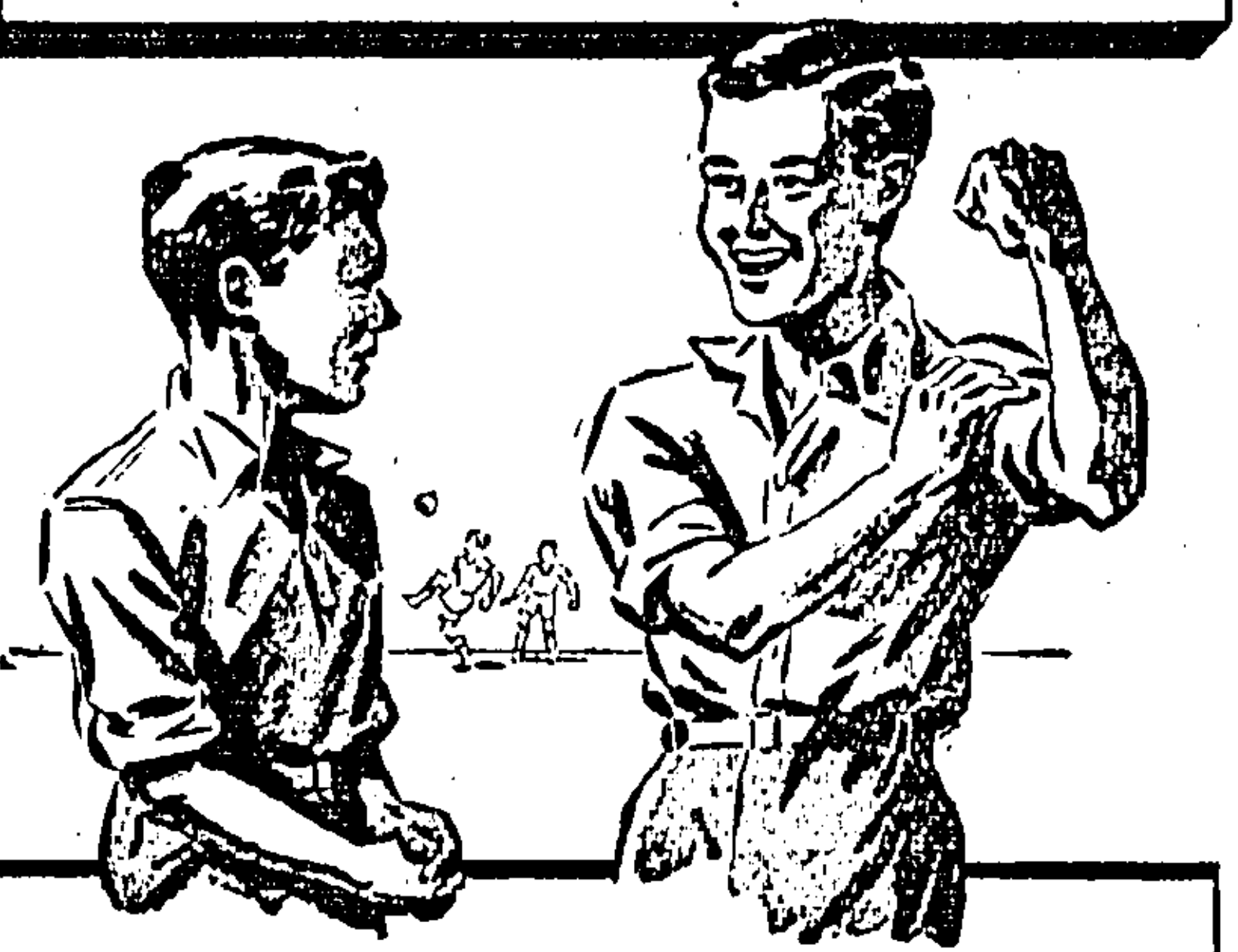
I know from the letters that I re-
ceive that there are thousands of
good, misguided, Christian people in
England today who have been de-
luded into believing that even a
disgraceful peace would be pre-
ferable to a long continued war. It
must be the duty of our statesmen
to dispel that delusion and to make
plain to our people the true facts of
the situation and the true interests,
not only of the British Empire, but
of the civilized world.

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Says the Rt. Hon.
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IS YOUR CHILD STURDY OR OUTGROWING HIS STRENGTH?



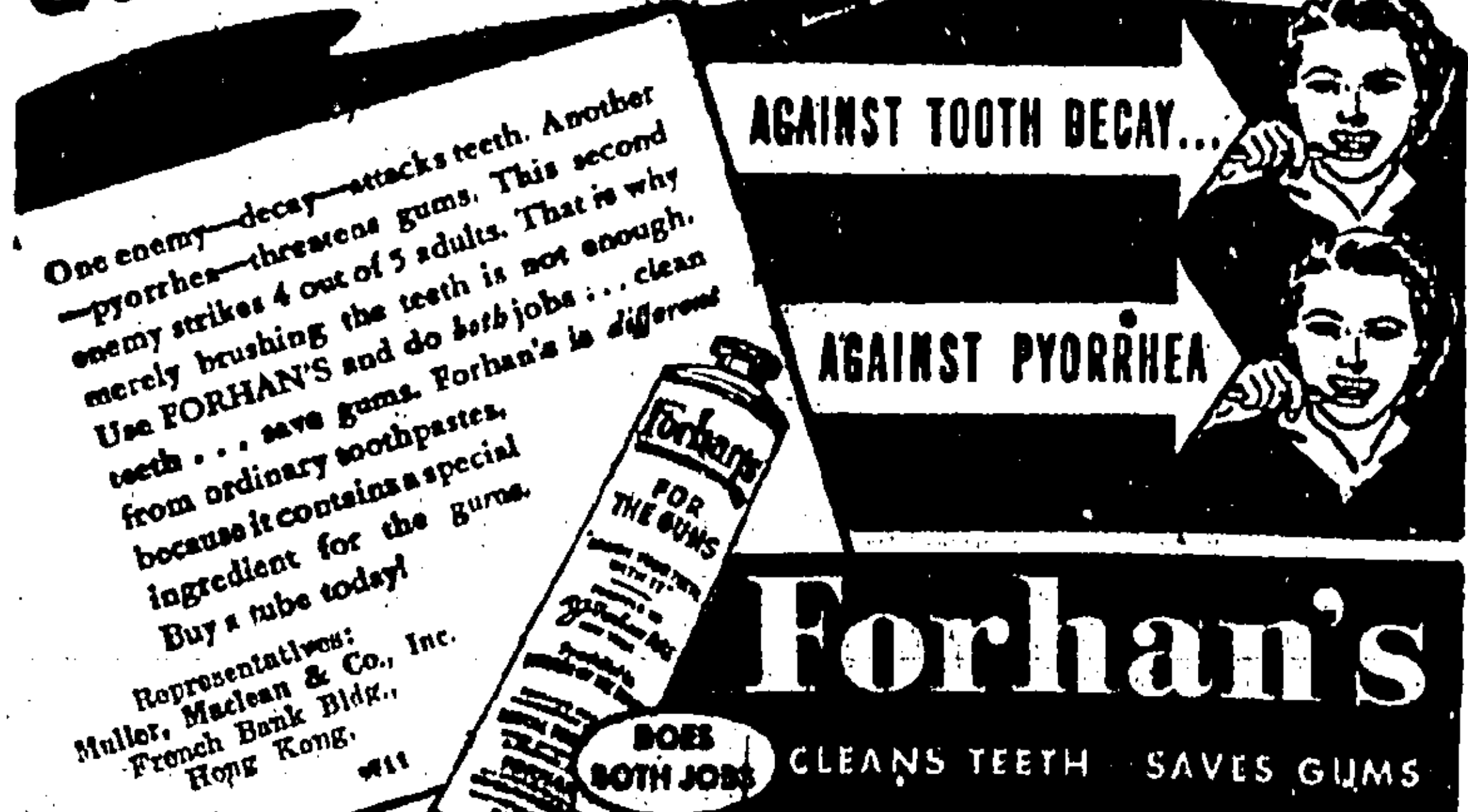
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STUNNING HANDS

"DEAR Mr. Culbertson: Some
months ago I came to the
conclusion that big cards are almost
dangerous as small cards are useless,
at least as far as the average club is
concerned. But the other night I picked
up a hand which had me whipped
from a practical as well as psycho-
logical standpoint. Here it is, approx-
imately:
S—A K 10 4 H—A K 7 3 D—A
C—A K 10 6

"You can appreciate that I was
simply stunned. I managed to gasp
two no trumps almost before I had
given the matter any thought. When
partner sighed and said 'three dim-
onds,' I said 'six no trump' in a
tone that was intended to encourage
his boast to seven. Fortunately he
didn't. Here was the entire deal:
South, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S—9 7 2
H—8 4
D—Q J 6 5 3
C—8 7 2

WEST
S—Q 6 5
H—Q J 10 2
D—9 8 4
C—J 5 3

EAST
S—J 8 3
H—9 8 5
D—K 10 7 2
C—Q 9 4

SOUTH
S—A K 10 4
H—A K 7 3
D—A
C—A K 10 6

"Don't think that the difficulty of
reaching partner's diamond suit
didn't occur to me before I bid the
slam. I've tried to play too many
inaccessible duramies. But it seemed
incredible that he wouldn't have a
jack or queen in some suit other than
diamonds to justify a three diamond
response.

"As the hand played, we were
down only three because both spades
and clubs broke to make my ten spots
good.

"I have shown the hand to dozens
of players and always they take great
pains to point out its lack of playing
strength, my bad opening bid, and so
forth. Most of them insist that my
proper opening was two spades, but
I still think it was not. The two no
trumps is, as I understand it, not
unconditionally forcing to game,
while the two spade opening would
have been. My partner could have
passed the two no trumps. I would,
in all probability, have shot him
without mercy or consideration, but
would have thanked him afterward
(his corpse, I should say).

"HELP, Hurlingham, W. Va."
I can easily understand that a hand
of this nature, with such tremendous
top-trick strength, is a natural trap.
But, nevertheless, I frankly cannot
condone your reaching a horrible
contract such as six no trump. With-

out any bidding convention to lean
upon, in other words, if you were
allowed only one bid and had to
guess at the best contract with that
bid, six no trump might be excusable.
Bidding conventions, however, do
exist, and when a player fails to use
them he has only himself to blame.

With three suits, each headed by
an ace-king, the presumption is that
partner will be able to stand at least
one of them. Hence, instead of mis-
leading partner into thinking you
had a balanced distribution by open-
ing with two no trump, you should
have started with a two spade bid
and successively shown your other
suits at the lowest possible level.
Thus, the bidding should have gone:
South North
2 spades 2 no trump
3 hearts 3 no trump
4 clubs 4 spades
Pass

Four spades is about as good a final
contract as three no trump would be
and is a great deal more logical in
that you have reached it only after
trying out all three of your suits.
As you say, the spades and clubs
broke, so obviously you would have
lost no more than one trick in each
of your four card suits. Sorry, but
this time I'm afraid I must agree
with the kibitzers!

WAKE UP YOUR LIVER BILE—

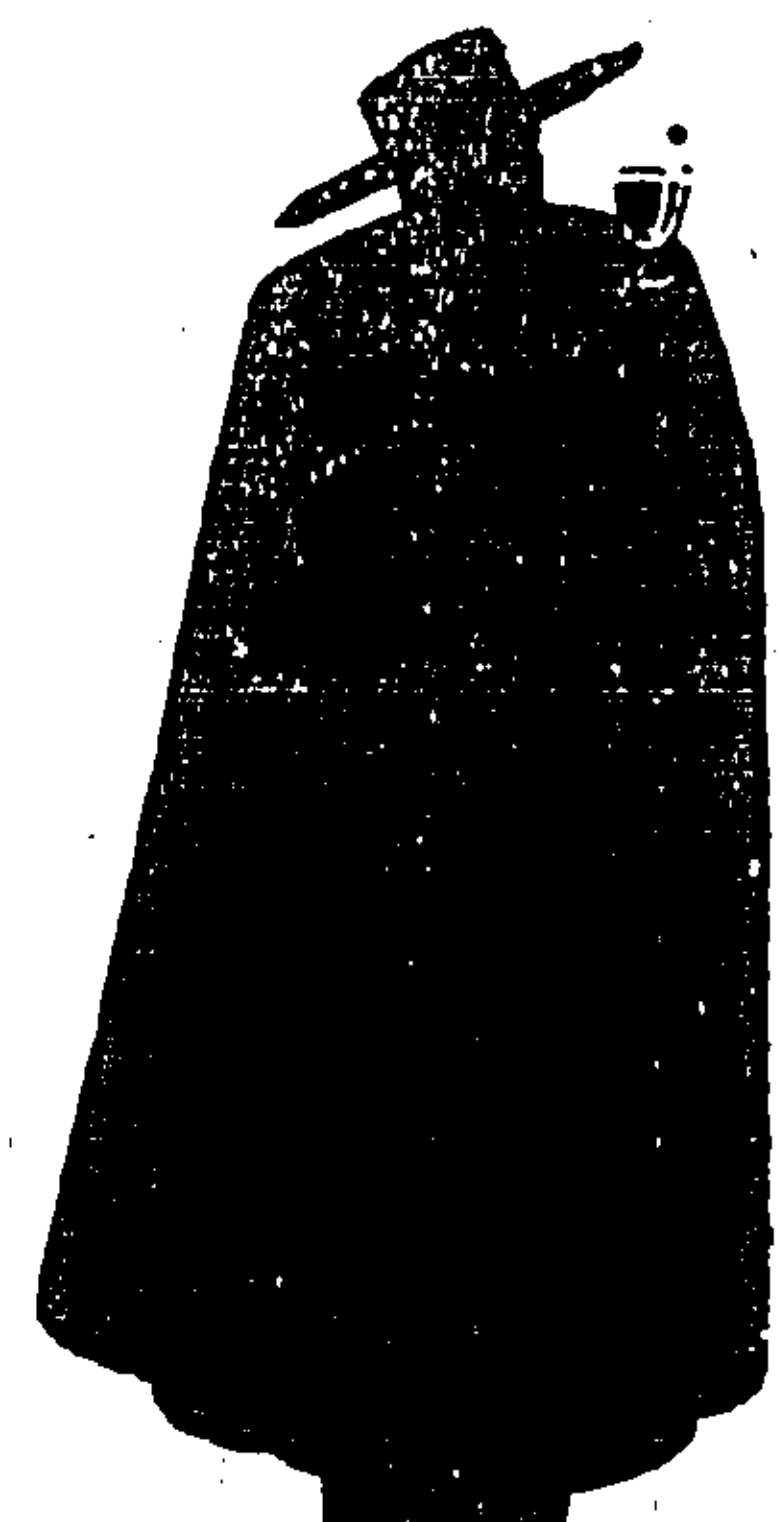
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High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

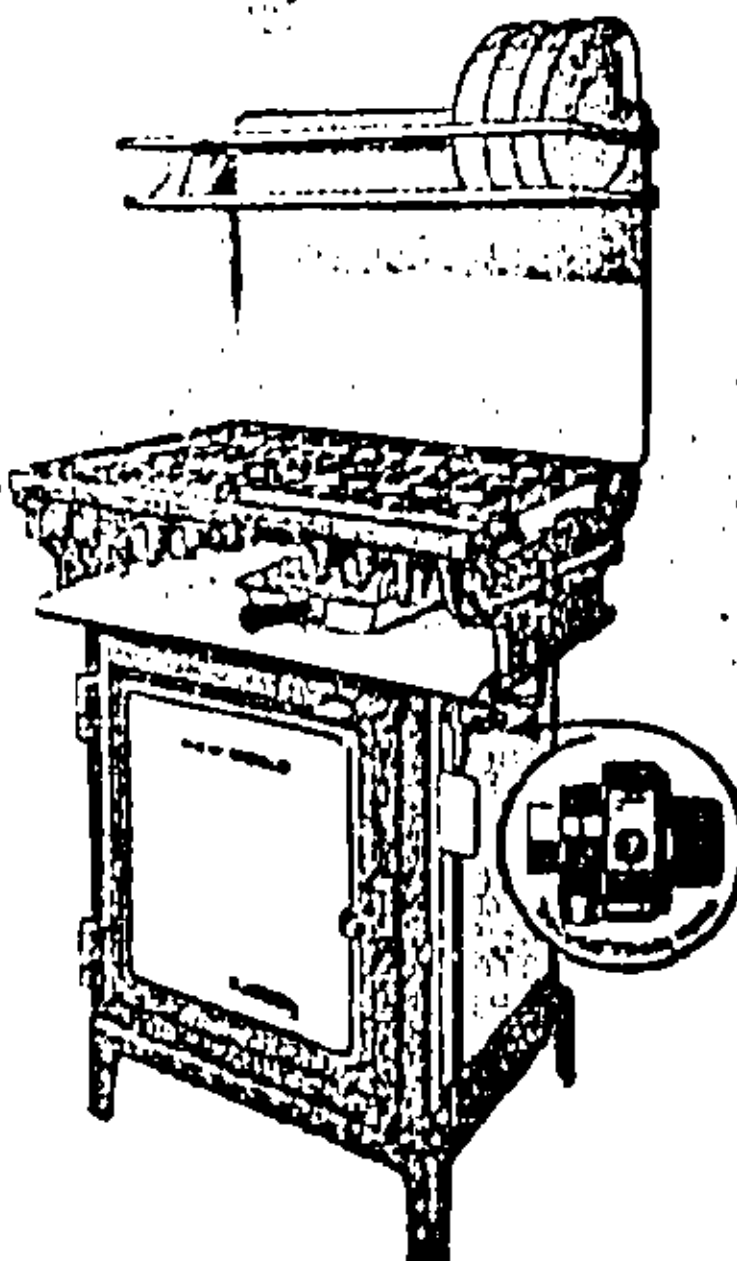
Twice as many women as men suffer from High Blood Pressure, which is a mysterious disease that starts about the time of change of life and is the real cause of much heart trouble and later on of heart attacks. Common symptoms of High Blood Pressure are: Nervousness, dizziness at top and back of head and above eyes, pressure in head, dizziness, short breath, pain in heart, palpitation, poor sleep, loss of memory and energy, easily excited, fear and worry. If you suffer any of these symptoms, don't delay treatment a single day, because your life may be in danger. Hynes, a new medical discovery, reduces High Blood Pressure with the first dose, takes a heavy load off the heart, and makes you feel years younger in a few days. Get Hynes from your chemist today. It is guaranteed to make you feel fit and strong or money back.

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"City Clerk" Foils Plot To Blow Up Parliament AMAZING STORY BEHIND I.R.A. TRIAL

This picture just received, shows the Kings of Denmark, Norway and Sweden and the Finnish President when they and the foreign ministers of the four countries met in Stockholm. Photo shows (left to right) President Kaarlo, Finland, King Haakon of Norway, King Gustav of Sweden and King Christian of Denmark at the Royal Palace before the Conference. (By Air Mail, Copyright).

WHEN A YOUNG MAN, apparently a City clerk, took a room at an apartment house in Leinster-gardens, Bayswater, W., recently, no one there imagined that his real task was to shadow a group of Irish terrorists who had determined to blow up the Houses of Parliament.

The terrorists planned to place huge explosive bombs in Parliament, the Bank of England, the Home Office, the Foreign Office and Scotland-yard itself.

Their plot failed, and a fortnight ago John Evans, aged twenty-four, John Gibson, aged twenty-three, Daniel Jordan, twenty-two, and James O'Regan, twenty-two, who at the Old Bailey were found guilty of conspiracy and possessing explosives with intent to endanger life, were each sentenced to twenty years' penal servitude.

The story of their activities begins early in July when the Yard were told from Ireland that a number of terrorists had arrived in London.

Only the briefest descriptions of the men were given. Then came another message advising the detectives to pay attention to the apartment house in Leinster-gardens.

Next door were the local billets of the women's Auxiliary "Territorial Service."

The young "City clerk" who took a room there discovered the four Irishmen in an upper flat—mysterious men who professed to be looking for jobs in London.

None was ever allowed out of the sight of a detective.

They were followed to different addresses in London, from Bayswater to Hackney, to Shepherd's Bush and to houses in Paddington.

From some of the houses they brought back large parcels. They had two tradesmen's box cycles and a carrier tricycle. They also brought a number of cheap alarm clocks.

Towards the end of August Chief Constable Horwell of the Yard visited the house. The four suspects were in the flat.

Scores of detectives were brought up to surround the building while others went to the upper floor.

On the landing outside the flat was a large parcel. From it came a ticking noise.

The detectives tore open the wrapping, to find a woman's hat-box; inside this was a pillowcase filled with explosives.

TIMED AT 2.30 A.M. An alarm clock, timed to ring at 2.30 a.m., was attached to an electric battery, and this was in turn fixed to a detonator.

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When the detectives entered they found the Irishmen putting the finishing touches to another bomb.

More bombs, all complete, were in the room, three alarm clocks, some gelignite and detonators.

O'Regan immediately made a dash out of the room, knocking over one of the detectives. Detectives were posted downstairs, so he ran up a short ladder, used as a fire escape, and got on the roof.

There O'Regan fought like a madman. In the struggle he almost fell into the street.

Eventually he was overpowered and taken downstairs.

MEN HANDCUFFED

Meanwhile another fight was going on between detectives and Jordan. He struck the detectives several blows, made a dash for it, but was caught again at the foot of the stairs.

The four men, handcuffed, were taken to the police station.

No one in the house knew that the men were Irish agents. Even the property owners were in ignorance of this until days later.

They like others, believed that the men were German agents, a report which the police made no effort to discourage.

It was late in the afternoon of August 25 that the detectives carried out their raid. The terrorist plot was to have been attempted between midnight and 2.30 a.m. the following morning.



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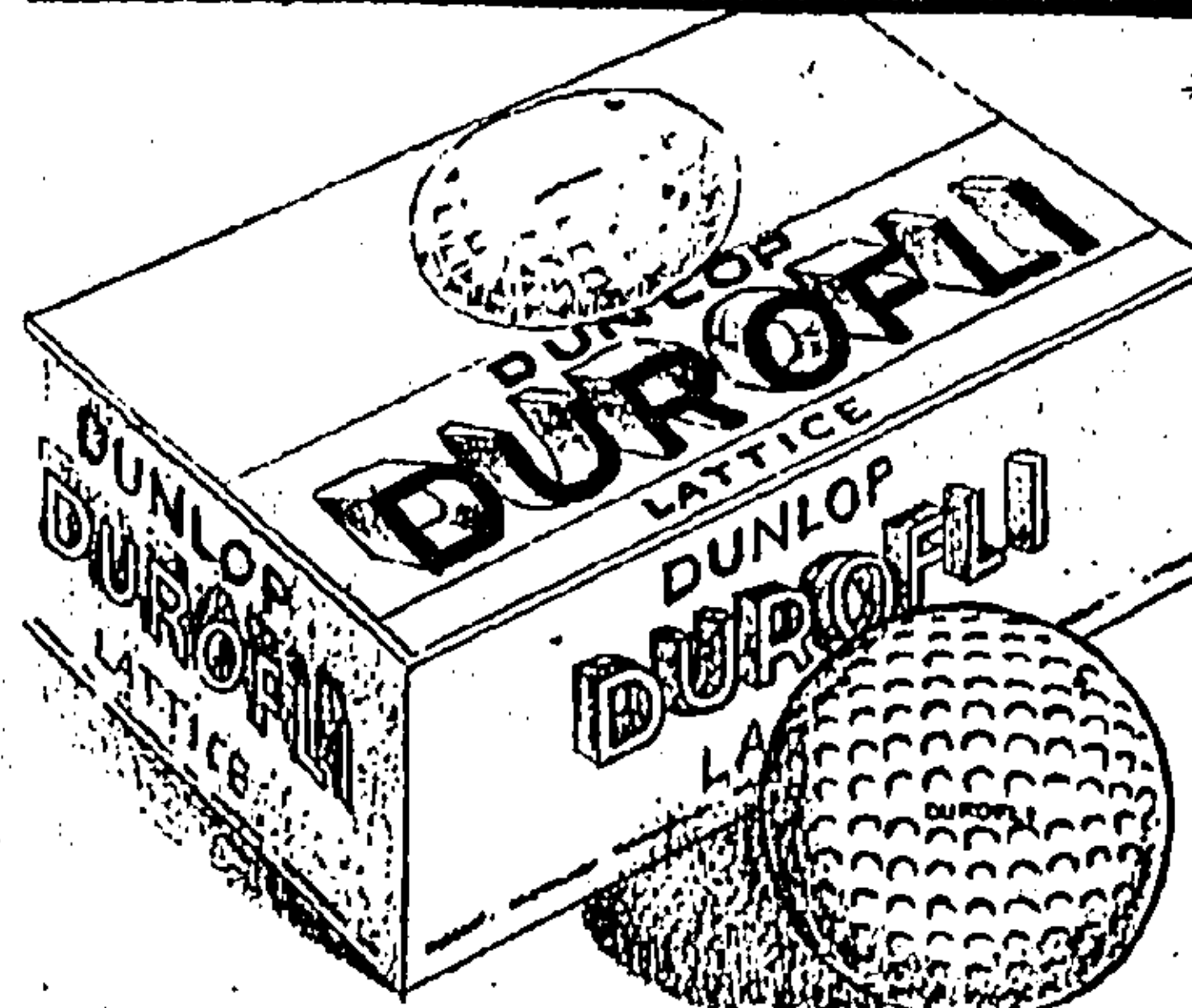
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Count Janos said that Unity was "very ill" in Munich, and had been taken to a hospital. It was thought she would have to have an operation.

He did not say what was the matter with her.

A member of the family wired immediately to Hungary asking for further news. The other day, a reply came that there was "substantial improvement," and the operation might not be necessary after all.

It is understood, however, that Miss Mitford is still in hospital.—Our Own Correspondent.

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The War: Results And Future Prospects

In the first few weeks of the war striking events have taken place in four spheres of action: there have been the German conquest of Poland; the intervention of Russia; successes for both sides on the economic front; the German offer of terms and its rejection. Already at this stage we can draw some deductions.

The Polish campaign proves above all else the tremendous effect of air-power. By itself control of the air cannot decide a war, but it can enable an army to win a swift decision. Once the Poles had been driven from the air their cause was doomed. Their lines of communication were broken up; their bases were exposed to destruction; the enemy could learn their every movement, while they knew nothing of his. They were like a blind man fighting a man with eyes. The lessons of the wars in Spain and in China have been confirmed and driven home. Here we have something new in the world, which must have a profound influence on the course of history.

To the smaller nations this situation cannot fail to cause deep anxiety. A great neighbour can concentrate in an hour an overwhelming force in the air. Useless to send up planes of their own, when each machine may have to fight against five or ten. Geographical defences are useless; mountains, rivers, inundations disappear. Great fortresses lose their value. The patriotism of a people, the bravery of its soldiers, are futile. Armies can come after and gather in when they will the fruits of air-control. It may be that, owing to the emergence of air-power, the small nations may find themselves at a hopeless disadvantage in face of the great ones as were the backward peoples of Asia and Africa when confronted by the muskets, and then the machine-guns, of Europeans.

Unless anti-aircraft defences can be made so effective as to defeat this danger, the position of the smaller nations, often precarious in the modern world, has been made far more perilous than ever before. Can they trust the Great Powers to abstain from aggression? The democracies certainly. There is no possibility that France would attack Belgium in order to obtain the Congo, or Switzerland in order to incorporate the French-speaking cantons. Nor can we imagine Britain making war on Holland to secure the Dutch Indies; nor either of them coming to blows with Rumania to extort a monopoly of her oil, or with Scandinavia for the sake of this or that. But obviously the same cannot be said of any of the Totalitarian Powers with respect to any of their neighbours.

Must the smaller nations live then in the constant shadow of a harassing anxiety? What recourse have they? There is none—except to form defensive federations or alliances among themselves, and to join some wider international organization, a new League, with stronger powers and greater resources. As for Great Britain, the lesson can only be that her air-power must be raised to an altogether unprecedented level. She entered the last war with a few score air-planes; she ended it with thousands. Britain entered this war with thousands; she may have to end it with tens of thousands.

Whether Russian policy to-day is Leninist, without a Lenin, or Tsarist, without a Tsar, is as yet merely a speculative question. Events will show. Perhaps it is a combination of the two—territorially Imperialist and socially Communist. However that may be, the salient fact now is that Russia has gained from Germany in a month, in the guise of friendship, what she could not have won in a

generation by fighting. The access of Germany to South-Eastern Europe is now barred by a Great Power, militarily as strong perhaps as herself. A third of Poland has apparently been absorbed to add to the resources of a neighbour who was the enemy of Germany yesterday and may be an enemy again to-morrow. The Baltic has become strategically a Russian sea. Whatever may be alleged by Herr Hitler as to the oppression of the Germans in Poland, it is nothing compared with his own oppression of the German population of the Baltic States. Planted there for centuries he has torn them all up by the roots.

These are some of the results of the over-ingenious Nazi diplomacy. There is a French peasant saying — "a force d'être fin on devient bête." The too-clever Ribbentrop methods prove in the end to be stupid. They bring short-range successes and long-range failures. This is the first war in history in which one of the combatants has been defeated at the very outset by his own ally.

In the struggle for resources the events of chief moment so far have been the promise to Germany of supplies from Russia, the failure of the submarine campaign against British merchant shipping, and the

BY
VISCOUNT
SAMUEL

action of the President of the United States on the question of the arms embargo.

As to the first no one can foresee how far it will be implemented. The deficiencies of Germany are enormous; to what extent Russia can or will supply them is problematical. If the submarine campaign against British merchant shipping continues unsuccessful, British imports are assured; while the command of the ocean by the British and French navies will halve the normal importation of Germany. The expected action of the United States, no longer depriving the Allies of their advantage in seapower, will help to maintain their supply of munitions. Developments in Canada and in the other Dominions will greatly swell the Allied resources. Should the belligerents prove to be evenly matched militarily, these factors will be decisive. While British resources in food-stuffs and raw materials are immensely greater than in 1914, Germany begins this war in little better case than she ended the last one. Neutral reports tell us of the "black depression" that already pervades her people.

To the terms of peace offered by Herr Hitler, the Governments of Britain and France gave the only possible reply. He demanded that the war should end leaving him with another resounding triumph for the methods of violence; with Poland added to Czecho-Slovakia as a victim of unprovoked aggression; with the Nazi regime fastened more firmly than ever on the necks of the German people; with his resources greatly increased for the next attack. He finds that the democracies—keyed up to a maximum effort, ready to face any sacrifice in order to end a tension which had become intolerable—will not endure the thought of a pagan victory. Von Ribbentrop foretold that, when the ultimate test came, the British and French Parliaments would crumble up. He fatally misunderstood the temper of the democratic peoples.

Any fool can go to war; it needs statesmanship to preserve the peace. Before the annexation of Czecho-Slovakia and the invasion of Poland, it seemed to many that Hitler might possess high qualities of statesmanship. But not since. It is plain now that his ambitions are unrestrained, his assurances valueless, his continued power a peril to all Europe. That the British Government's reply

to the German proposals commands the assent of the whole body of the people is quite clear. If tests are needed, they are supplied by the only two parliamentary elections in which the issue was raised. Last summer a candidate presented himself at a by-election in the south-west of England whose views were in harmony with those of the British Fascist group—acquiescence in Germany's East European policy and an accommodation with Herr Hitler. In an electorate of 31,000 he received 576 votes, or less than two per cent. A few days ago in Scotland a candidate belonging to the other group which holds similar views, the pacifists, received 1,050 votes, in an electorate of 46,000—a little over two per cent. There is no doubt that these results indicate fairly accurately the proportion of the British population who disapprove the national policy.

There have been already many surprises in this conflict—the neutrality of Italy and Japan; the volte-face of Russia; the absence of air-raids in the first weeks; the pause on the western front. There will surely be others. But the end is not in doubt. The democracies know clearly what they are fighting for, and will be tenacious. In 1914 there were three great military empires, Germany, Austria, Russia; and three great pacific democracies, the British Commonwealth, France, the United States. In 1918 the pacific democracies were still there; but where were the military empires?

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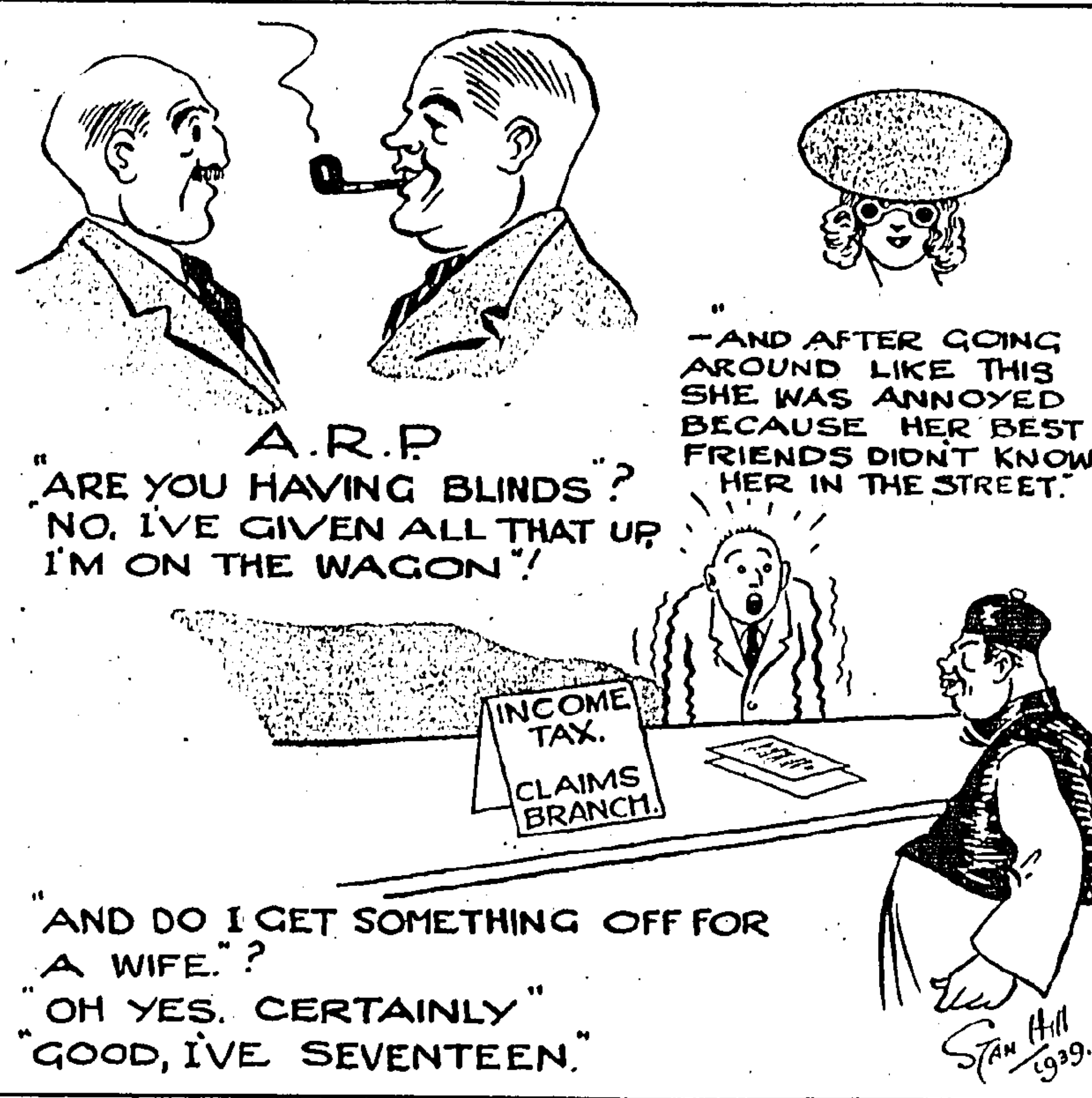
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11.00 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.
12.15 p.m.—Cesar Franck—Prelude, Aria and Finale. Alfred Cortot (Piano).
12.30 p.m.—Cesar Franck—"Panis Angelicus" sung by Gota Ljungberg (Soprano).
12.45 p.m.—D'Erlanger—The Hundred Kisses.
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Quilter's "Children's Overture" and English Ballads.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Dvorak—Symphony No. 4 in G Major, Op. 88. Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Václav Talich.
2.30 p.m.—Close down.
7.00 p.m.—Gilbert & Sullivan Selections.
7.30 p.m.—Cortridge-Taylor—Four Characteristic Valses. New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by J. Alisdair Murray.
7.45 p.m.—Violin Solos.
Sonata (Eccles, arr. Salmon)..... Zino Francescatti with Maurice Fauré at the Piano.
Caprice No. 24 (Variations in A Minor—Paganini)..... Joseph

Szigeti with Kurt Rührseitz at the Piano.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Orchestral Selections. Sinfonia (Bach)..... Willem Mengelberg & His Concertgebouw Orchestra.
8.10 p.m.—Studio—Piano Recital by Peter Gracey.
1. Fugue in F Major (The Suits in Glory) (J. S. Bach).
2. Prelude, Op. 28, No. 15 (The Rindroos) (Chopin).
3. Prelude, Op. 28, No. 1 (Chopin).
4. Klein and Alle Dame (Kriegel).
5. Prelude & Fugue in E Flat Minor (Bach).
8.30 p.m.—Corelli—Concerto Grosso in G Minor ("Christmas Concerto") London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.
8.45 p.m.—Studio—"A Biography of Chamberlain" Talk.
9.05 p.m.—Mozart—Flute Concerto. John Amadio (Flute) with Orch.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.30 p.m.—A Light Orchestral Programme with Easle Ackland (Contralto).
Old Friends—Polpourri (arr. Hermann Finck)..... Tom Jones & His Orchestra.
Bells Across The Meadows (Kettel-

Bel).... Albert W. Kettelbey's Concert Orchestra.
A Summer Night (A. Göring Thomas); The Great Awakening (Johnstone & Kramer).... Easle Ackland (Contralto) with Organ accompaniment by Herbert Dawson.
Autumn (Chaminade); Traume (Wagner).... De Groot & His Orchestra.
10.00 p.m.—Organ Music.
The Question (Volstenholme); The Answer (Volstenholme).... Reginald Goss-Custard.
Organ Sonata No. 3 in A Major (Mendelssohn).... Dr. E. Bullock playing on the Organ of Westminster Abbey.
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SOUTH CHINA "B" BEAT MIDDLESEX

ST. JOSEPH'S ARE FULLY EXTENDED MUNTON SCORES SIX

THERE were only two First Division Football League games yesterday and it was left to South China "B" to supply the weekly surprise. They beat Middlesex, who lost last week to Royal Scots, in as fine a game of football as one is likely to see in Hong Kong. Twice the "Diehards" held the lead, but the Chinese artistry triumphed in the end. In the other big game Club extended St. Joseph's, who won 3-2 to secure their first brace of points.

30th Heavy Battery lost their 100 per cent. record when South China outplayed them at Stanley and Eastern, as a result of their 1-0 win over 8th Heavy Regiment, are now leading the division.

Munton set a new goal-scoring record for the season, netting six times against Club, who provided Ordnance Corps with their first win.

No players were ordered off and most of the games were played in a good, sporting spirit.

Giving a sparkling exhibition, the Saints defeated Club on their own ground by 3 goals to 2.

The first goal came as a result of an unlikely kick by Millington who, in an endeavour to clear after Mars had come out and failed to get the ball away, booted the ball hard on to Pereira's back from whence it rebounded into an empty goal. This goal had no effect on the play, however, neither side relaxing their efforts to score, and it was Pereira, who eventually placed the Saints further in the lead after a great solo effort. Receiving a long pass up the field from Hussain, he cleverly beat the two Club backs before netting.

R.A.S.C. WIN 7-0

Seven seven goals without reply, R.A.S.C. thrashed the Signals at Kowloon after holding a four goal lead at the interval.

The Service Corps never over at any stage of the game in danger of defeat, and after the start it was obvious that it was but a case of how many goals they could score. Marley, Brown and Glen combined very effectively in the forward line, and Pace played a fine game at centre-half. The day of the battery's line was Smith, who played a sterling game throughout, though he must admit a tendency to wander. At back, Hall was superb and stout and especially as a partner, Kelly, was not too sound.

In the Saints, forward line Mars and Kiffner had a lean time, for pace coming from Mars, Smith did well but but had one straggled pass, to be left with the ball about once. In goal, Neesham made many fine saves.

This goal was the signal for pressure by the Club, who missed what seemed two splendid opportunities to score, shots going wide, over the bar in both instances. Bond scored the first goal for the Club, following a nice movement started by Scott, who really "made" the goal. Excellent increased when Lodge levelled the scores, with a fine shot, dashing in from the wing to meet Bond's pass. This movement was started by Parsons, who, although injured, was playing a useful game on the wing. Both sides made great efforts to get the winning goal and several golden opportunities were missed through over-anxiousness in front of goal.

THE WINNING GOAL

The winning goal came after a great effort by Hussain, who, working his way up the field, and placed the ball just past the Club backs for Leonard to run through and score. St. Joseph's made a great effort to stop him but he was not fast enough.

Club had a little difficulty in dealing a team and although still without Cole, they have a good deputy goalkeeper in Marvin, who acquitted himself well yesterday against the speedy Saints' forwards. Parrow had to leave his position early in the game and go to outside-right owing to leg trouble, but he was never really a "passenger" in the true sense of the word. Stronger (S) performed valuable work in defence, where his weight was often useful. Bond and Lodge were both very energetic in the forward line, but neither of them managed to penetrate Hussain and Mars, who really excelled themselves. The most prominent in the Saints' forward line was Pereira, though Leonard worked hard in the centre. He was given more freedom after Parrow moved from the centre-half position. Hartman proved himself a useful winger and his long passes across the goal were often a source of worry to the Club defenders.

Game Of Thrills Produces High Standard Of Play

S. CHINA SURPRISE 30TH H. BTY.

30th Heavy Battery, Divisional leaders and having the advantage of playing at home, were strongly fancied to beat South China "B" at Stanley, but the Chinese created a sensation by winning by 3 goals to 1.

30th Battery's hopes received a blow when Ip Pak-wah, after making a vain attempt to steady himself, shot feebly towards goal and to the dismay of the home side the ball trickled through the legs of the goalkeeper and South China were one up. To add to the woes of the Gunners, Elliot was hopelessly wide with a penalty. The Chinese had retained their lead at half-time.

After the resumption the Chinese broke away and Ip Pak-wah was going straight through when he was brought down in the penalty area. Chan Wai-san took the kick and increased South China's lead. Heavily pressed by 30th Battery brought a well-deserved goal, which was scored by Yearling, but the South China left-winger, Chan Chai-fai, placed the issue beyond doubt with a perfect goal just before the final whistle.

South China fully deserved the points in what proved to be the best game seen at Stanley this season. A feature of the match was the brilliant goalkeeping of Chan Siu-wah, who received invaluable help from his full-backs. Their left-winger, Ip Pak-wah and Chin Chou-fai, had also a large share in the victory.

30th Battery, who had the misfortune to lose their unbeaten record, were by no means outclassed. Woodlin, in goal, had an off day but no one could be reasonably blamed for the defeat. On their display it is difficult to select players for special mention, but Todd, left-back, La Skisworth, right-half, and Guy, centre-half, did well.

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SOLDIERS TWICE HOLD LEAD: FATAL LAPSE DECIDES ISSUE

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AND SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION
South China "B" 3 Middlesex Regt. 2
Young Shui-yick 2, Coomer, Tait.
Club 2 St. Joseph's 3
Lodge, Bond, Leonard.

SECOND DIVISION "A"
Kit Chee 4 5th A.A. Regt. 2
Chan Kwai-cheong, McCanley 2.
Eastern 1 8th Hvy. Regt. 0
Oul Tse-ping.

SECOND DIVISION "B"
Royal Engineers 6 University 2
Lowe 3, Doughton 2, Hool Pang-wai, Koo Kim-chung.

THIRD DIVISION
International 3 12th Hvy. Bty. 3
Carroll, Sprinkle, Rocha (pen), Griffin 2, Path.

THIRD DIVISION
24th Hvy. Bty. 1 5th A.A. Regt. 1
Adams, Barclay.

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KWONG WAH WIN, BUT ONLY JUST

At Kowloon, Kwong Wah Juniors, as generally expected, accounted for Kowloon, taking both points by scoring two goals without reply.

Kwong Wah, however, had to struggle hard for the points and it was only a goal just after the start and one just before the final whistle that gave them victory.

The man of the match was undoubtedly Lapsley, the Kowloon goalkeeper. Time and time again he saved seemingly impossible shots, and his coolness and safe handling were features of the game. He still has a lot to learn, but there is no doubt that he is a first class goalkeeper in the making. The two Santos brothers, C. M. and H., played their usual hard-working game, but could not make much headway against a strong defence.

Filler did well at back for Kwong Wah, and Chin Chi-fun was always a dangerous raider, though he received poor support from Lee Yan-leung, who has completely lost his last season's form. Wong Wah-ray was the best of the half-backs, his strong tackling being very sound.

KIT CHEE TOO GOOD FOR 5TH R.A.

A dull game was witnessed at Caroline Hill, where Kit Chee defeated 5th R.A. by 4 goals to 2 after leading 1-0 at the interval.

The first half started off rather slowly but quickened up as both teams got into their stride. First Innings went to Kit Chee, who, after 10 minutes, scored through Yau-ki, centre-forward.

The second half commenced with Gunners trying hard to score, but though they frequently reached the Kit Chee penalty area their shooting near goal was inclined to be wild and uncertain and they were often robbed of goals on this account. Kit Chee responded the scoring through Chow Kwai-cheong, outside-right. Gunners were then rewarded with a goal scored by McCanley, inside-right, who headed the ball into the net.

Ten minutes later, however, Ho Yan-ki again scored with a good shot from 20 yards and he completed his "hat-trick" before McCanley scored the Gunners' second goal.

POINTS FOR MEDICALS

On the Chatham Road ground, after leading by three clear goals in the first half, Medicals failed to score in the second and the game ended with the score R.A.M.C. 3, Medicals 1.

In the R.A.M.C. front line Pankin and Mayhew worked hard and Servon sent across many fine centres. Of the halves Florence was outstanding, and Tilly and Leverington were always too good for the attackers at full-back.

For Kunnons, Parton Singh, outside-left, played his usual brilliant game but, although the other forwards worked with him, he was not often dangerous. In defence, Lt. Tarr was always busy. He had to cover up many mistakes on the part of Chai Chand and he saved the score from reaching double figures.

24TH ARE HELD

24th Heavy Battery had things much their own way in their match against 5th A.A. Regt. at Stanley but could only secure one point from a 1-1 draw after leading at the interval. The A.A.'s goal had many marvellous escapes but thanks to good defence work they were only one goal in arrears at half-time.

For the Henries, Taylor, full-back, and Reid and Marshall in the forward line did best, while Kwoi, goalkeeper, Taylor, centre-half, and Berkeley, inside-right, earned chief honours for the A.A.'s.

TWO POLICE CHANGES

The more interesting of the two First Division football games this afternoon will be at Boundary Street, where Police are at home to Kwong Wah.

Police are making two changes in their line-up this afternoon. Pope, the cricketer, will be seen at left-half, while Howlett and Forster, the former going to inside-right.

Kwong Wah have been strengthened by the inclusion of Chau Man-chi, a fast and dangerous forward.

The following is to-day's programme:

First Division
Navy (Causeway Bay at 4.15 p.m.)
Police v Kwong Wah (Boundary Road at 4.15 p.m.)
Second Division "B"
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PLUCKY UNIVERSITY

The Sappers beat University on St. Joseph's ground, Happy Valley, by 6 goals to 2.

University started off with 10 men, but this did not deter them in any way and they put up a good show against a better side. They were best served by Hool Pang-wai and Yung Kim-lin at back, and but for the sterling defence of these two the score would have been undoubtedly much higher. University forwards lacked the necessary finishing touches.

The Sappers took a long time to settle down and looked though they would be overruled by the better balanced University team, Oughton, who was playing at outside-right, did not seem very happy, but when he went to centre-forward in the second half he was a different player and scored two goals. Lowe, at outside-left, was the star man, his many passes to his centre-forward being well-placed, while he scored three fine goals. Isley, centre-forward, scored the remaining goal for Sappers, who led 3-1 at the interval.

Cheung Ah Chee converted a penalty against Nautch and Ko Kim-cheng scored the second University goal.

The half monthly meeting of Hong Kong Football Referees' Association will be held at Room 40, 4th Floor, Bank of Canton Bldg., tomorrow at 8 p.m.

EASTERN WIN BY LONE GOAL

In a dull and uninteresting game on the Club ground Eastern beat 8th Heavy Regt., R.A., by a goal scored in the first half by Out Tse-ping.

The best player on the field was Barnsley of the 8th Heavy, who played himself to a standstill, and he could not be blamed for letting Out Tse-ping through. Purdue, in the Artillery goal, is also worthy of mention. Out Tse-ping was not given much room in which to manoeuvre in by Barnsley, but when he did get away he was an immediate danger to the Artillery defenders, but he spoiled much of his work by being continually judged off-side. The only other player in the Eastern team who showed up at all was Lam King-wai, who kept the ball well upfield whenever he had the chance.

INTERNATIONAL RALLY

At the Valley, International managed to draw with 12th Heavy Battery after being three goals in arrears. The final score of three goals each is a fair result, although the Gunners may count themselves fortunate in that Leonard missed a penalty for International early in the game. For the Gunners, Burrows excelled at left-back, whilst Miller played a hard game throughout in the pivotal position. At forward, Griffin and Thackeray were the pick of a good line. International were best served by Bux, in goal, Sprinkle, Rocha and Omar.

SCOTS HOLD SIGNALS

A very fast and keen game was witnessed on St. Joseph's ground, Happy Valley, where Royal Scots managed to hold the fast-moving Signals to a goalless draw.

Many fine movements were seen on both sides, but both sets of forwards always finished badly, neither team possessing a really good marksmen. Signals had most of the play, their defence being very sound and the half-back line, Hutchinson, Brackenbury and Dignan, worked very hard and gave their forwards many fine chances, particularly Brackenbury, who kept his team always on the move.

The Scots were more or less in the same position, having very strong defenders in Fowler, Barnaby, and Wiseman, but no one outstanding at forward.

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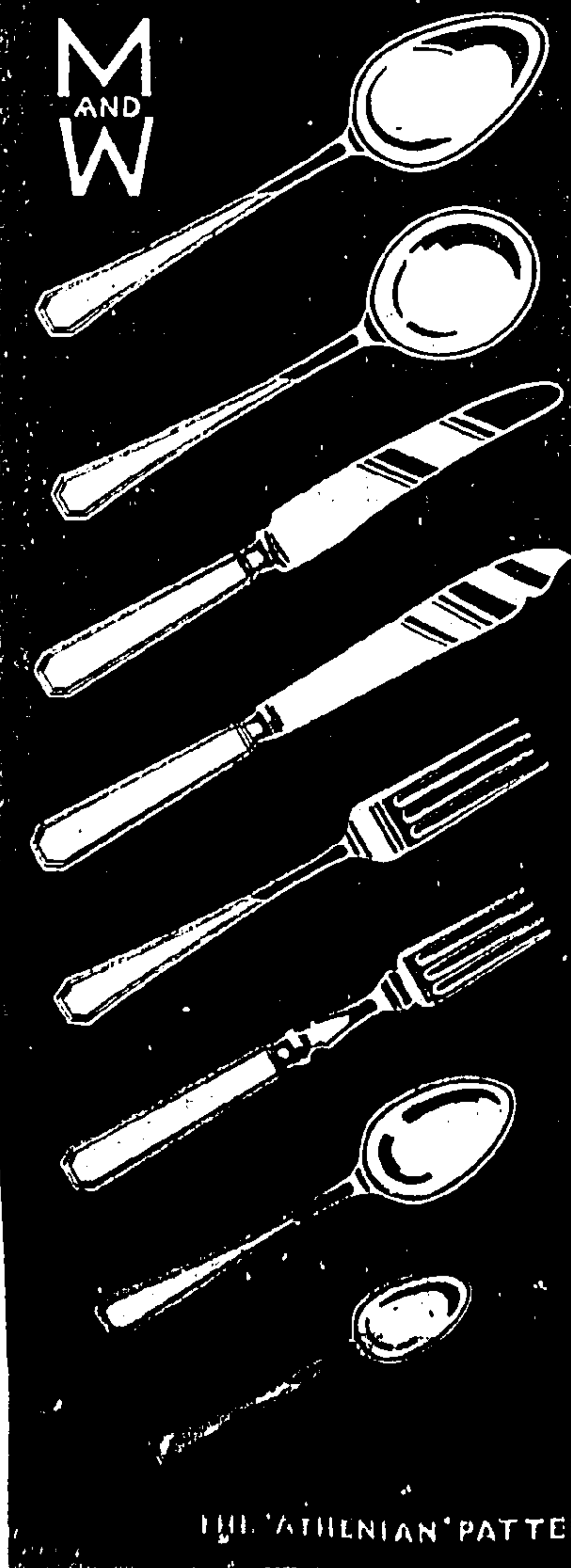
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SHORT STORY

A QUICK flurry of soft rain drove

blatantly across the decks of the barque Lugton. The drops were large and scattered and made a pleasant pattering sound as they struck.

In a minute the cloud from which they were falling had passed across the sun and was fleeing to leeward down a bright blue sky mottled with masses of grey and white.

The drops that hung from the rigging and the spars of the deck houses glittered like gems in the rays of the westerling sun.

Davie Graham, the ordinary seaman in the port watch, finished sweeping down the decks, and having no more to do but wait for orders he leaned against the main rail, gazing at the loom of land away on the starboard bow. The slight stir of him strangely, as the view of dim headlands from the sea always did, but at the moment his thoughts were partly occupied with the stormy threat of Cape Horn.

He had no oilskins or seaboots and could not afford to buy them from the slop chest because he needed every penny of the wages he would receive when the ship arrived at San Francisco. His watchmates had warned him that the need for oilskins and seaboots off the Horn was nothing short of imperative, that he would die of exposure without them. Timkins, a good-humoured Londoner who joked frequently about the parsimony of the Scots, had tried to convince him of this.

"Dammit, Davie, wotcher want to be so tight with yer money for?" You'll croak off the 'orn without oilskins and seaboots. Wet to the skin on the time an' perishin' with the cold. Tyke it from me. It's no bloomin' picnic down there. Spend a few dollars, matey, an' save yer life."

The western sky began to look black and ominous; the wind blew stronger and passed through the rigging with a faint whistling moan, and Davie shivered, anxious to reach the rapidly nearing Horn and have done with it. When four bells went and his watch was relieved he hurried to the galley for hot tea and ate supper in the fore-cabin, sitting with his mates looking out on the dark deck and listening to the sounds of the rising gale. The seamen were enjoying a smoke after the evening meal. Douglas was reading in the imperfect light of a lamp hung by a small chain from an overhead deck beam; Drummond sat on his chest darning a heavy woollen sock, and Timkins

was spinning a yarn about a girl he had met in Liverpool.

They heard the second mate shouting the order to haul down the stay-sails and listened to the bustle on deck as the starboard watch executed the order, shingling out on the downhauls. When the sails were made fast the watch waited on the foredeck, expecting that the royals would be struck immediately, but the skipper was holding on to them as long as he could without running the risk of losing them.

The port watch went on deck at eight bells and were driven aft to the main hatch by the heavy sprays that came over the bows. The boatswain leaned on the rail, apart from the men but keeping in touch with them, and Davie sat on the deck in the lee of the forward house, where he was sheltered from the wind and rain. He liked the exhilarating quality of the night, the wailing sound of the wind in the rigging, and even the thick darkness, which shut him off from the men and banished his reluctant sense of their constant though mostly silent criticism.

A dim blotch appeared in the darkness towards the main hatch, and Drummond propped his way along the side of the house.

"Why don't ye buy oilskins an' seaboots from the slop chest?" he inquired unpleasantly, sitting down beside Davie. "The whole ship's talkin' about ye. Yir the sort o' felly that gives the Scot a bad name. Yir too close the buy the things ye need. Mibbe ye think somebody might give ye thum for nothin'."

"No," replied Davie. "I don't expect anything like that. I've a good reason for what I'm doin', and I'll thank you to understand that and mind your own business."

Drummond was considering an answer to that when he heard the stentorian voice of the boatswain roaring the order to stand by the royal halyards. They hurried to the foremast and Davie took hold of the clewline with his mates and hauled cheerily as the mate slackened away the sheet. The topgallants were clewed up after that, and the order was given to make fast, and Davie went up to furl the royal.

There was half a gale blowing then, but furling the royal was not a hard job, and he handled it into a neat roll on top of the yard, passed the gaskets and stowed it snug. By the time the job was finished he had shaken off the weary mood of the day, and was resolute to accomplish his purpose. When he returned to the deck they took in the mainsail and foresail, then braced the yards sharp up, close hauling her on the starboard tack.

Davie was soaking wet when he went below, but the work of shortening down had kept him so active that he had not felt the cold. Inside the fore-cabin he stripped to the skin and gave himself a vigorous rub down with a rough towel, and while glowing from this he pulled on a dry suit of patched but good woollen underwear and dived under his blankets, falling asleep as his head touched the pillow.

Coming on deck for his next watch he climbed the ladder to the top of the forward house and relieved the man on look-out, who reported nothing in sight. Up there he was out of reach of the lashing seas and partly shielded from the driving spray by the lifeboat lashed to the side of the house. Leaning against its gunwale, staring forward, all he could see was a wall of blackness, except when the crests rose above the level of the head and the angry water glittered in the red or green rays of the port or starboard sidelights, a sight of beauty and terror.

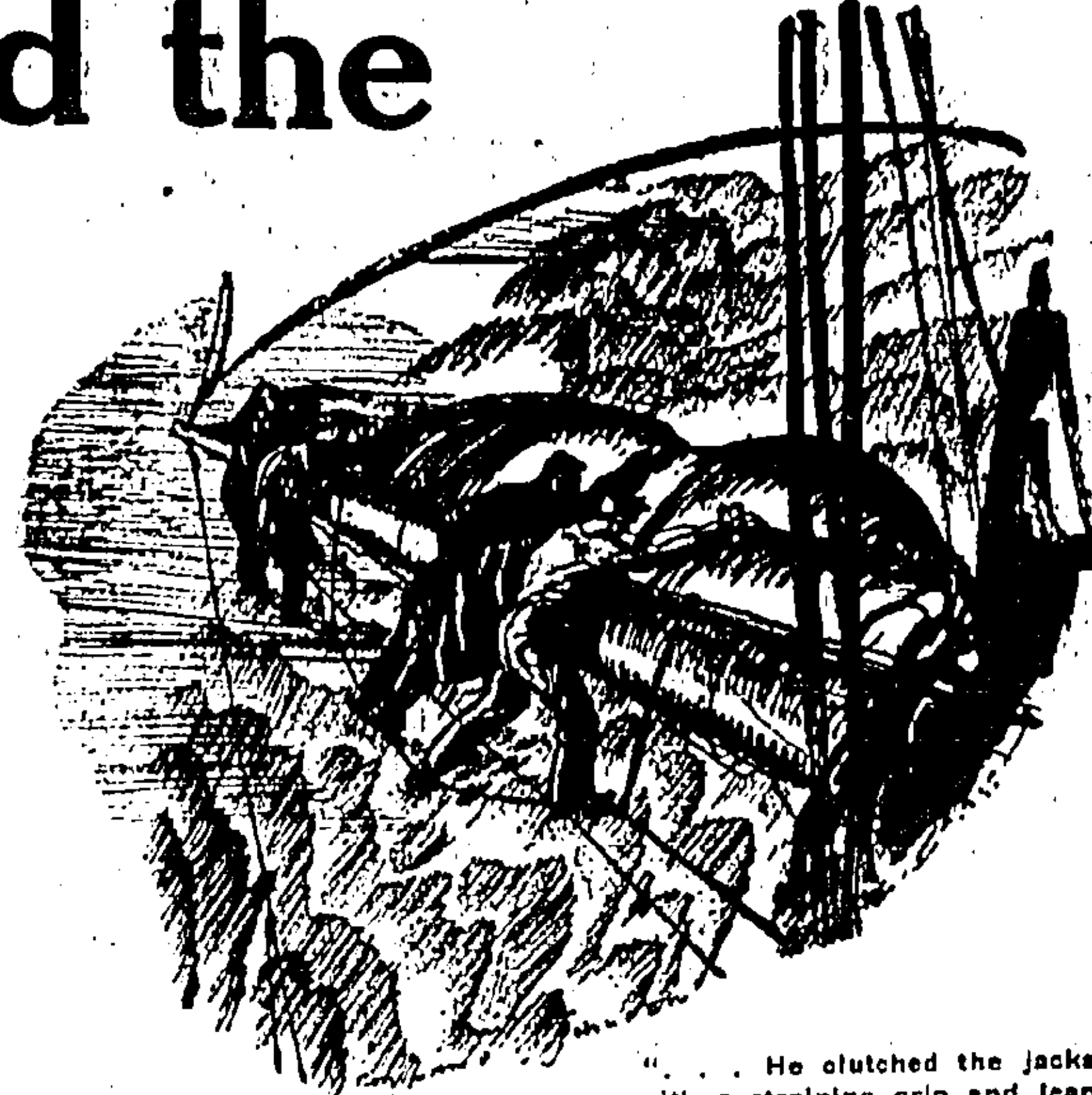
That westerly gale blew for twelve days without a break, and Davie was wet and cold in his watches on deck during all that time. The wind fell and another gale came up from the Antarctic with squalls that carried hail and sleet, but when these were not raging the sky was clear and the stars were beautiful at night. Storm and bitter cold became customary in Davie's life, but he held to his purpose with a resolution as hard and grim as the conditions he had to face.

The Lugton was making some headway under all her topsails and the fore topmast stay-sail, but the sea was rising rapidly, and the fore topmast might have to come in. The port watch crouched in a huddled group on top of the forward house under the lee of the lifeboat, and Davie sat among them gazing at the stars. He never tired of watching that marvellous sky, where the Southern Cross blazed like four small suns and all the stars glittered with a brilliance that charmed him.

The mate came storming along the deck, watching the weather rail for boarding seas and roaring his order above the gale: "Stand by the fore topmast halyards."

The watch rose wearily and scrambled down from the top of the house, hating to go, but unable to hang back. Davie was accustomed to this sort of thing by now, but the weather rail of the ship never ceased to hold a threat for him. The first sea that came over would drench him to the skin, and he was already perishing with cold. He shut his jaws

Round the Horn



He clutched the jacket with a straining grip and leaned forward on the yard.

tight and talled on at the end of the clewline.

As sea broke over suddenly and beat him to his knees. The icy water struck through his clothing to the skin, but his main concern was to prevent himself from being carried overboard in the rush of the deck water. Raging aft it dragged at him powerfully, and he had all he could do to keep hold of the clewline. When the ship rolled he was flung against the side of the house, and as she swung to the other side he went down in a cascade of foam to the rail.

The rush of the water toward the waist as the ship's head rose to the next sea was more than he could resist. Though his grip on the rope was so intense that he felt as if his muscles were tearing, the water wrenched him loose and swept him aft. Gropping wildly for a fresh hold he was thrown against the main hatch, then down to the lee scuppers, and back between the hatch and the end of the deckhouse, where he came against the ladder and caught hold. Dragging himself up he waited to recover his breath and collect his senses, coughing up some of the brine he had swallowed, and Timkins

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rose from the welter of foam beneath him and clung to the ladder at his side. Davie was blue with cold and shivering violently, but as soon as the deck had drained sufficiently clear he dropped off the ladder and staggered forward to resume his place on the clewline, Timkins following close behind him. Other seas fell aboard, but Davie watched for them, and dived under the topgallant rail and embraced a stanchion with both arms until the heavy water had drained away through the main deck ports.

"Up an' make fast," cried the mate.

Davie seized the swift and swung to the top of the rail. Turning his back to the shrieking wind he started up the rigging, and the weight of the gale when the ship rolled to windward flattened him against the shrouds and held him helpless. As she wallowed to leeward the pressure lessened and he climbed up a few ratlines. He had thought that he could feel no colder while on deck, but as he mounted into the full sweep of the wind he discovered his mistake.

Trying to control the convulsive trembling of his half-frozen body, he reached the futtock shrouds, shrugged over the edge of the top and clung to the topmast rigging with a sense of relief, feeling warmer from the exertion. At the level of the topmast yard he waited while the man before him stepped across to the footrope.

Davie glanced at the sail and wondered how men could possibly control and tie up a madly tormenting thing like that. It belled out with enormous balloon shapes that writhed in the gale, seemed to lose the wind at times by some twist or eddy in the storm, and partly flattened down, then snapped up with the report of a big gun and a force that shook the mast. Davie stepped on the footrope behind Douglas, who turned and reared at the pitch of his voice:—

"One hand for the owner and one for yourself."

The words came to him in a stentorian thread of sound, delicate as gas-samer through the scream of the Cape Horn gale. They brought him into that working communion with his fellows from which his intense misery had isolated him, and he clawed his way out along the yard-arm feeling better because a shipmate had thought of his safety. Reaching his place, he clutched the jacket with a straining grip and leaned forward on the yard, pressing his right hand against the bellying sail, which was cold and hard as iron. The motion up there was indescribably wild.

He watched Douglas on his right beating the sail with what seemed puny and ineffectual blows to "crease it for a grip and drag it up on the yard. When a man made such a fold in the canvas the one next him picked it up and it was seized by each man in turn all along the yard-arm. They did not always retain what they had won, for sometimes the sail flung outward with such violence that it was wrenched from their hands, and once they lost all they had gathered. When this happened they cursed in their throats like growling beasts.

Davie put all his strength into the work. He lightened his grip as the mast whistled down, hung on to jacket and sail, and hugged the

yard as the ship flogged to leeward.

Forgetting his misery in that battle with the tempest, he became a primitive creature with savage heart and flailing arm, fighting the shrieking demon in the sail. Roaring curses of encouragement came faintly to his ears from the boatswain:—

"Hold all that you get, my bullies. Keep the rag on the yard or we'll hang up here all we die!" Their legs, held rigid on the slender footrope, became numb and stiff. The nails tore away from their fingers, and the pain made them change grips, holding on with their right hands and working with the left. Davie knew nothing of the passage of time and disregarded the snow squalls coming down with hail and sleet that froze into the canvas and made it harder to handle. He was numb to the waist, bruised and skinning about the chest from holding the sail on the yard.

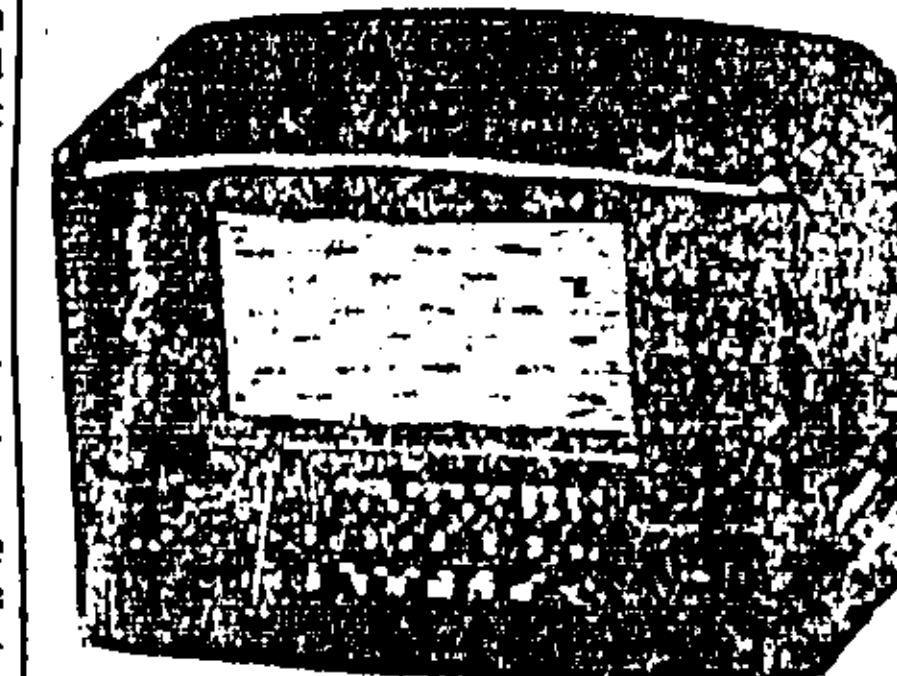
They finished on the w. other yard-arm and crawled painfully to the lee side, which was much easier to furl, and in a dazed condition Davie found himself hauling "taut the last gasket. When he had made it fast he looked

round him strangely, glancing with tired wonder into the faces of his shipmates. It was broad daylight, and the topsail was furled.

The weary men went down to the deck and slouched into the fore-cabin for their watch below, lighting pipes and muttering curses at their raw, tipped fingers. Davie changed into dry underwear, dropped into his bunk, and slept instantly, and Douglas leaned against the bunk board to survey the sleeping boy in pity and admiration. He would gladly have bought him oilskins and seaboots, but Davie was reticent and asked no favours, and might have rejected such an offer.

The sea had played the port watch a nasty trick. Because the glass had fallen ominously before the coming of the snow squalls, which were the culminating fury of the gale, the skipper had taken in the fore upper topsail. Soon afterwards the wind moderated, the sea went down, and the sky clouded over with a grey seam that foretold the approach of another gale from the west. When

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Christians Can Be Patriots

Says
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During the last fortnight this question has exercised me. I am a Christian; I worship Him who came among us proclaiming peace on earth and good will among men. I am also a disciple of Plato, who taught that the good man is a citizen, not of his native land, but of that ideal city "of which the type is laid up in Heaven." The spiritual world is the real world. Time is only the moving image of eternity.

As St. Paul says, speaking the very language of Plato, though the house of our earthly tabernacle be dissolved, we have a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Our heart's true home is safe from the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune.

Holding these beliefs, as I believe I do sincerely, can I justify myself for caring so intensely as I do for the fate of the country of my birth? Christian saints and Platonic philosophers have rarely been ardent patriots. One of the chief reasons why the Roman emperors persecuted the Christians was not that they were politically dangerous—that they never were—but that they did not care when their country was in danger.

Two very great philosophers, Plotinus and Spinoza, preach complete detachment. Plotinus says: "Mortals warring in ordered regiments, as in the mimic wars of the sword-dance, shows that all the serious business of mankind is but play. Those who die in battle—foretell but a little the effect of age, departing the sooner, the sooner to return." (He believed in rebirth.) "Murder and every kind of death, the fall of cities, and their plundering, we must view as things done upon a stage, when all is but a shifting of scene and costume, dirge and outcry enacted in counterfeits. The man who takes a hand in such games must know that he has strayed into a play of children."

Spinoza uses much the same language. Our rank in the scale of being depends on what we are interested in, what we love. Those who care for what time and chance may take away can never enjoy secure happiness; but those whose minds are set on the ultimate and

eternal values can never be deprived of their treasure, their life is the peace which passes understanding.

On a lower plane, the comfortable eighteenth century did not take public affairs very seriously. "Sir, this is cant," said Dr. Johnson when Boswell asked him whether the state of the country did not make him unhappy. Goethe, the wisest man of his time, lived unmoved through the Napoleonic wars; and so, it seems, did Jane Austen. The time will come, no doubt, when men shall look back with amazement on the frenzied nationalism of the twentieth century.

The Christian could hardly bear to live in such a world as this if he did not believe that "here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come." Nor do we throw all our ideals into the future, which, as Bosanquet says, is the death of all sane idealism. The eternal spiritual world is all about us already, if we could realise it.

When our Lord said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you. Not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid," he did promise that his true followers should have a refuge here and now, where no outward troubles can reach them.

And yet I do not think that the philosophers and the cloistered Christian saints were right in their attitude of detachment. What is the promise that almost all philosophies and many religions has made to attract men and women? They have said, "We will promise to make you invulnerable." We will give you a magic impenetrable armour. Whatever happens to you or to those whom you love, or to your country, we will teach you not to care.

If you lose a child, you should say, "I never thought that I had begotten an immortal." If your country is ravaged by an enemy, Plotinus or Spinoza will teach you to look on with indifference. Be kind and generous, said the Stoics, but do not feel pity; pity hurts.

Now there is one religion which makes no such promises: It is our own. By exalting love above justice as the primary virtue, Christianity once for all renounces the claim to make us invulnerable. For love often hurts. We are to rejoice with them that rejoice and weep with them that weep. In one sense, Christianity is an other-worldly religion; but Christian charity is not other-worldly. For it, sorrow is sorrow, suffering is suffering—troubles to be sympathised with and relieved if possible. The saint who is willing to part with his own cloak does not like to see a beggar without one.

Cautious indifference, even in the name of lofty idealism, does not purify or ennoble the soul. It only hardens the character. The hermit who has experienced nothing is made no wiser by solitude. The stoic who has repressed sympathy has built a wall which separates himself from his kind. It is only by passing through sorrow and anxiety that we can learn where to look for strength and comfort.

Does this apply to patriotism? It certainly does. This is one instance of how we may appeal from the later tendencies in the Church to the New Testament itself. "When He was come near He beheld the city and wept over it." Christ was not easily moved to tears; but the thought of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans forty years later, which He saw with His mind's eye, overcame Him, and He wept. Neither He nor St. Paul had much reason to be grateful to their fellow-countrymen: St. Paul also protests that he would be willing to be "accused" for the sake of his brethren in Palestine. These examples are enough to justify a Christian in being an ardent patriot.

ROUND THE HORN

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the port watch was called for dinner at seven bells. Davie dragged himself from his bunk and opened the door. Amusement held him silent; then he turned and said to the men inside— "It's dead calm."

They set the fore upper topsail again and the reefed foresail, and the wind came away from the west, rising rapidly to a heavy gale.

"All hands lay aft on the poop," cried the boatswain. "The skipper's tired of hanging around here an' he's gone to drive her. Once the sea gets up an' she starts buckin' into it there'll be no livin' forward."

All hands went aft to the poop and crouched on deck in the lee of the companion hatch and the cabin skylight. They thought several times that the foresail would be blown away, but the skipper had made his decision and held grimly on. Huddled between Douglas and Timkins, watching the sea to leeward as it went hissing away from the plunging stern, Davie listened to the booming shocks from the bows.

As the day passed and the long hours of the night wore on he wondered how anything made by human hands could endure such terrible assault and stay afloat. The thought that dwelt in his mind as he lay among the men, soaking wet and stiff with cold, was that good workmanship, by the tasks it performs and the faith it inspires, is the foundation of the world.

In the wild grey dawn they saw three black rocks about five miles off and moving slowly astern. The seas smote them and exploded into leaping foam a hundred feet high. They glistered between seas with a black gleam sullen and savage. Diego Ramirez is their name, and they lie sixty miles south-west of Cape Horn. The eyes of the men brightened and their brine-crusted faces broke into smiles; their backs straightened and they looked at each other. They were round the Horn.

The wind hauled gradually into the south-west as the Lugton made northward, and in the afternoon of that day they set all square sail and ran before it. Davie stood on the fore'side head, watching the ship and the pursuing seas came rolling up under her quarter, lifted her gently with a long slow heave, and rolled her down and away. They were no longer round the Horn; they were on their way to find a job.

and swept her reeling decks, but friendly leviathans running a race with her.

Timkins went up on the fore'side head and shook his fist toward the Horn. "Blow, blast yer," he cried. "Blow yer head off. The order yer blows the faster we goes."

They sailed into sunny seas and crossed the Line, picked up the northeast trades and ran cheerily north. One morning at dawn a tow-boat took their rope outside the Golden Gate and dragged them to the ship's berth in San Francisco harbour. The long voyage was over, and when they were tied up at the wharf the mate said quietly, "That'll do, men."

At the shipping office Davie was the last to be paid off. "Ello Davie," said Timkins. "Comin' for a drink?"

"No," said Davie. "I must go to the post office first."

Douglas came over and held his hand in a friendly grip.

"Glad I was shipmates with you, Davie," he said. "But don't go to sea again. It's a dog's life. You can get a good job ashore. But I'd like to know, if you don't mind tellin', how you took such a beatin' off the Horn to save a few dollars."

"For my mother," Davie answered, his reluctance overcome by the other's friendly interest. "She's ill."

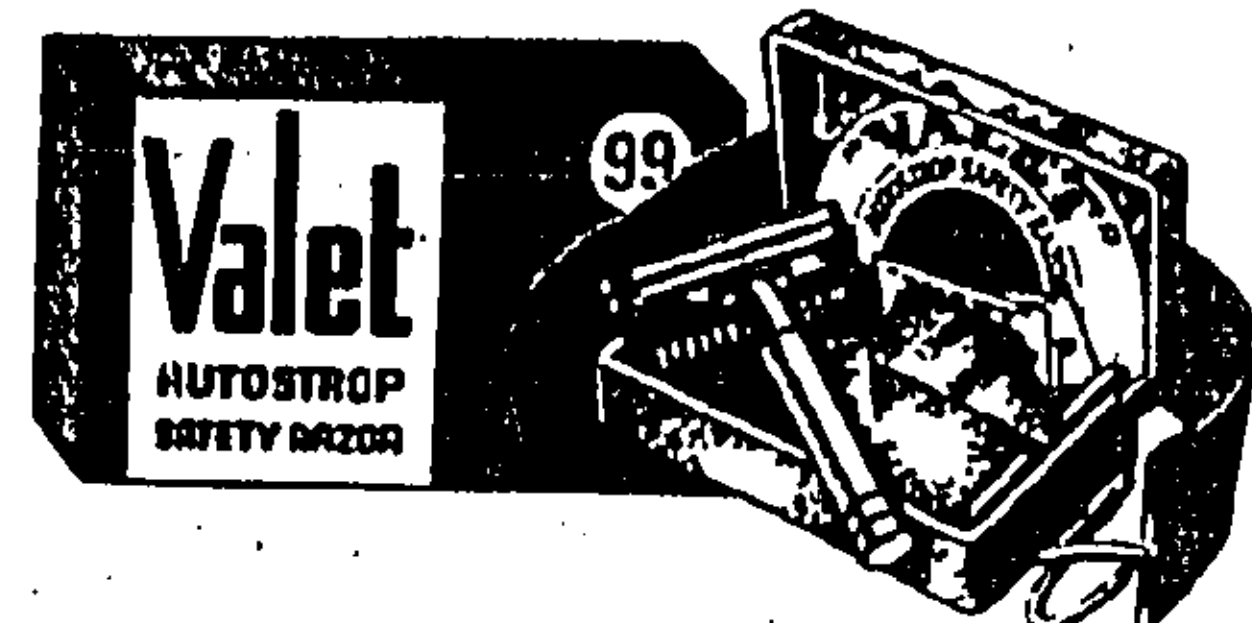
"For your sick mother," Douglas repeated softly. He touched his hat.

"Good luck, kid. So long." Davie stopped at a stationer's to buy a sheet of paper and an envelope, which cost a nickel, and arrived at the post office perspiring from the walk in the hot sun. At a vacant desk he wrote a letter to his mother, part of which ran thus:—

"We had fine weather most of the voyage. It was rough off the Horn, but that was to be expected. I am sending you the amount of the fee the doctor demands to remove the catarrhs from your eyes, and you will not be blind. I am very happy to be able to do this for you, mother dear."

When he had bought the money order and sent it off by registered mail his cash amounted to eighty-five cents. As he swung out of the post office into the crowded street the song of victory in his heart brought a radiance to his bronzed young face and a starry gleam to his eyes. Wearily they were no longer round the Horn; they were on their way to find a job.

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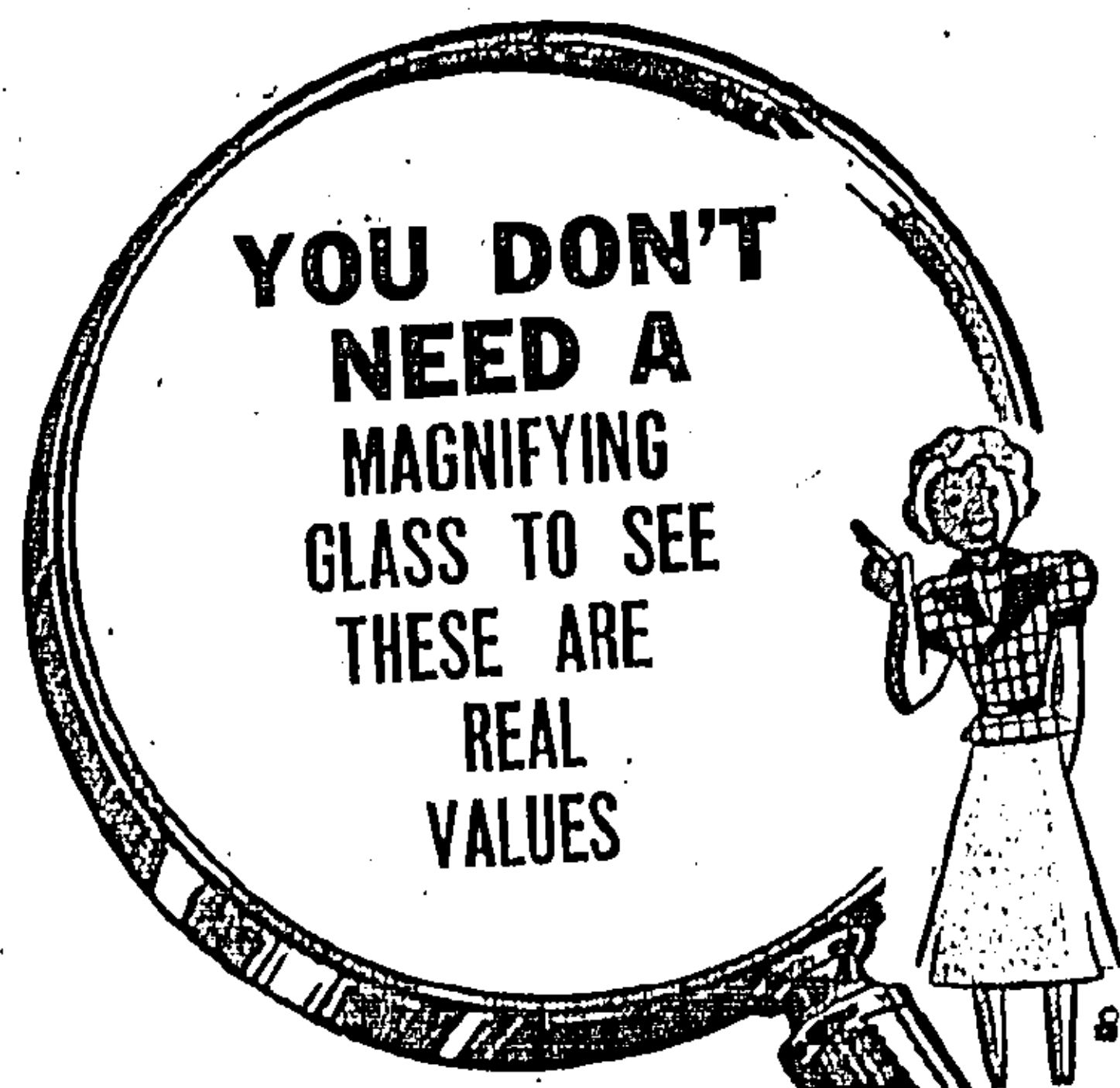
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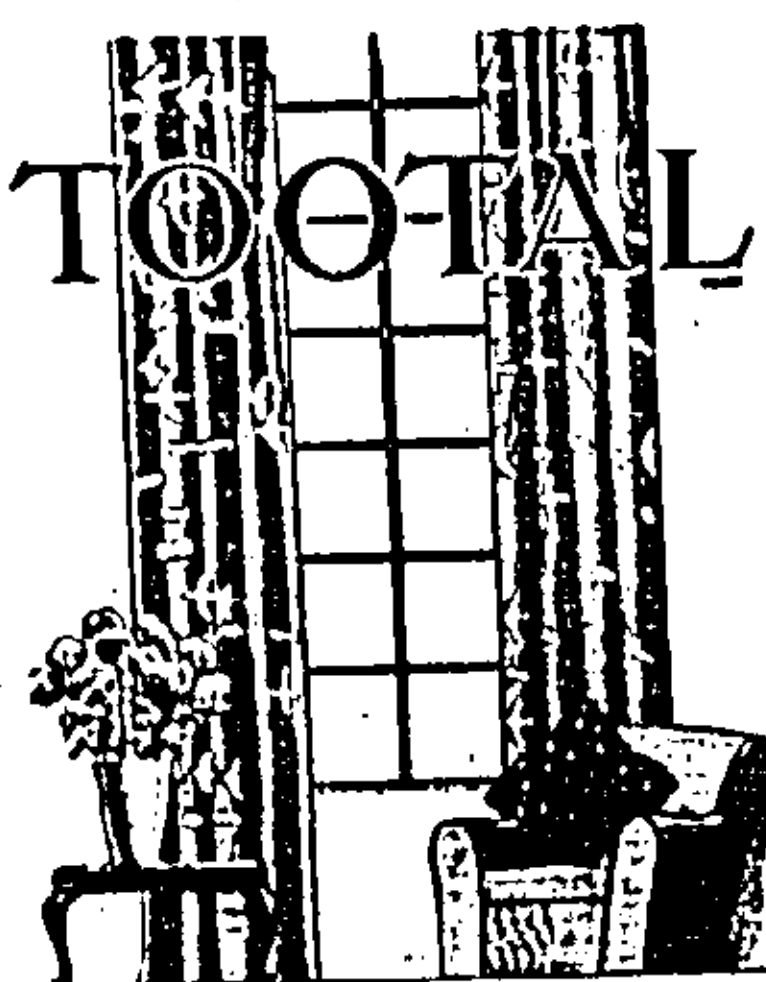
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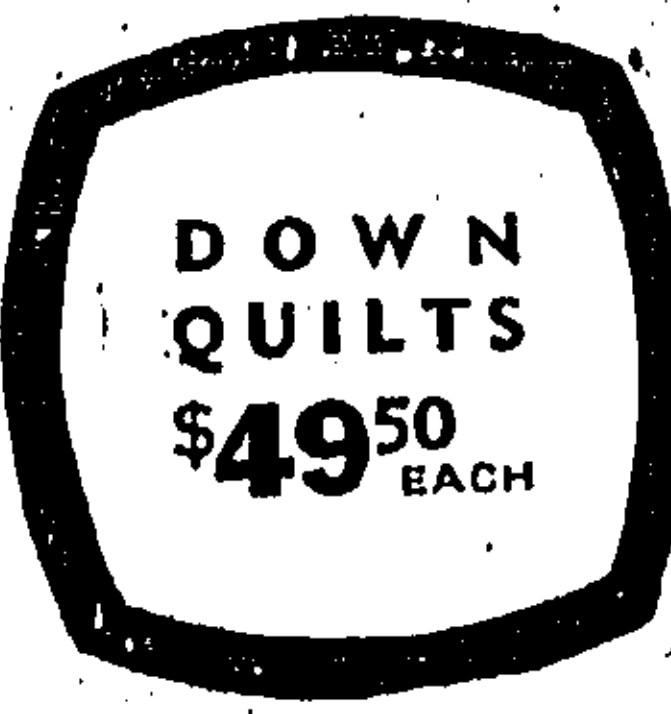
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London, Yesterday.

THE UNITED STATES Neutrality Bill developments are welcomed in the Allied press and in most of the neutral newspapers.

It is stressed that the move is no departure from America's neutral policy, and was partly promoted to keep the United States out of war.

Nevertheless, the "News Chronicle" says the development is probably the most encouraging of the war to the Allies.

The "Daily Telegraph" thinks it shows the strong moral sympathy in America for the Allies, and quotes a speaker in Congress as saying "You can't place an embargo on men's minds and hearts."

It also quotes another speaker who said: "Americans prefer Democracy to the rule of concentration camps and firing squads."

That preference is in the true United States interest.

MORAL SOLIDARITY

In Paris, "Le Jour" says it is a victory for right and the Democratic spirit, and American neutrality has not excluded moral solidarity.

It will have an immense psychological effect in the Allied countries. Apart from the material advantage to the Allies, says "L'Ouvre," it is also of moral significance which is advantageous to us.

"Le Journal" is of opinion that the lifting of the embargo is also the lifting of the American shield against barbarism and Hitlerism.

SHORTEN WAR

The "New York Times" thinks the repeal of the arms embargo will shorten the war and lessen the likelihood of the United States being involved.

The embargo, the journal's Washington correspondent says, was a needless handicap of the Democracies and an aid to the aggressors.

The correspondent points out that there were no material difficulties in passing the repeal from the same legislators who turned down the proposal last June.

FEARS REMOVED

In Yugo-Slavia the press says the anxieties and fears in which the small nations have lived for years have been removed.

The Rumanian press regards the

repeal as a death blow to Germany. In Bulgaria the repeal is generally regarded as a sign of American sympathy for the Democracies.

The press points to the spontaneous enthusiasm in America which accompanied the lifting of the embargo.

OUTRIGHT ALLY

The new Bill places the United States in all but active participation in the war, says one Bulgarian newspaper, and has made her the outright ally of the Western Powers.

The Turkish and Greek press also expresses satisfaction at the developments.—Reuter.

New York, Yesterday.

The majority of Congress, according to the "New York Times," thinks that the repeal will shorten the war and thereby reduce the chances of the United States becoming involved.

The newspaper's Washington correspondent observes that the special session of Congress was marked more than anything by a reassertion of the Administration's control of both branches of Congress.

The "Herald Tribune" reports that British and French agents gave "gentlemen's commitments" to United States aviation manufacturers for at least \$175,000,000 worth of warplanes and equipment, anticipating repeal of the embargo.

The paper adds that some sources put the day's order at between 2,500 and 3,000 machines.—Reuter.

AIR MISSION IN CANADA

Ottawa, Yesterday.
The New Zealand air mission has arrived here for the discussions on the Empire air training scheme.—Reuter.



"KISS ME SERGEANT." Sergeant Fred Abrams, of the Royal Fusiliers, and his bride, Doris Walsley, of the A.T.C., were married on October 21 at the Brentford register office, Middlesex. The bride and bridegroom are both stationed where they met at the outbreak of war. Photo shows Sgt. Fred Abrams kissing the bride after the wedding. (By Air Mail. Copyright.)



Nearly 1,000 London parents from Tottenham went by coach on October 22 to see their evacuated children at Saffron Walden, Essex. The party were invited by the mayor, met by the Saffron Walden brass band and entertained to tea. They also attended a meeting to discuss evacuation and billeting problems. "What have you brought for me, dad?" This picture tells its own story. (Copyright. By Air Mail.)

NEW NEUTRALITY ACT

WIDE POWERS GIVEN TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Washington, Yesterday.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT will have wide latitude in bringing into effect the provisions of the new Neutrality Bill.

The President's proclamation, after his signature of the bill, besides designating the nations now at war, is expected to list the materials to be enumerated as arms, ammunition and war implements. President Roosevelt may even include scrap-iron if he chooses.

The Bill's severe restrictions on United States shipping has already been felt. Upon the passage of the Bill, United States Lines announced that they were deferring indefinitely the sailings of the liners Washington, President Roosevelt and American Farmer, which were all scheduled to leave for England and France today.

Officials of the Company even indicated that they would have to suspend operations until the end of the war unless the provisions of the Bill were modified.

OWN RISK

Although the amended Bill permits vessels to sail prior to the actual moment when the Bill becomes effective, it would be "at their own risk." Other American lines operating in the Atlantic are similarly affected.—Reuter.

CONGRESS VOTE

Washington, Yesterday.
The House of Representatives voted the adjournment of the special session of Congress after approving the Neutrality Bill by 243 votes against 172.—Reuter.

BILL SIGNED

Washington, Yesterday.
President Roosevelt has put his signature to the Neutrality Revision Bill.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S GAIN

London, Yesterday.
In the past week the British Merchant Marine has been strengthened by a net gain of nine ships, totalling 43,000 tons, after due allowances are made for ships sunk by enemy action.

It is unlikely that the losses of 1917 will be repeated, since the anti-submarine campaign is proving extremely effective and enormous tonnage is under construction.—Reuter.

NAZI THOUGHT IN SAME GROOVE

London, Yesterday.
The Nazi wireless today described the raising of the United States arms embargo as "nothing but the machinations of Jewish war profiteers"—Reuter.

POLISH RELIEF FUND OPENED

London, Yesterday.
The King and Queen were the first to subscribe to the Polish Relief Fund launched by the Polish Ambassador, Count Raczynski, who is its President, with Lord Moyne as chairman.

Queen Mary, the Princess Royal and the Earl of Innes have also subscribed to the fund.

The Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary (Viscount Halifax) have informed the Polish Ambassador that they accept his invitation to become members of the Council of the Fund.—British Wireless.

SHOOTING INCIDENT

Peking, Yesterday.
The Japanese spokesman here is unable to confirm Japanese reports circulated in Shanghai stating that the shooting incident which took place at Yuolow, near Hsuehchow, on October 27, when a Japanese sentry wounded two Canadian missionaries, had been settled.

The spokesman told Reuter's correspondent that he had received no such report.

The Shanghai report also stated that the missionaries had admitted that they were in the wrong.—Reuter.

R.A.F. TOUR

London, Yesterday.
The Dominions Ministers and the representative of India (in England for the Empire consultations) today visited the headquarters of the R.A.F. Fighter Command.

They saw preparations that are normally kept a strict secret.

The Ministers were shown round the operations room, from which the whole vast defence system of this country is controlled.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

Chungking, Yesterday.
The Chinese Finance Ministry has instructed Government banks and agents abroad to pay the principal and interest on the loan floated in May last year.

The interest amounts to \$250,000, equivalent to U.S. \$1,250,000 and 2,500,000 Customs gold units.

A Government spokesman today expressed satisfaction that in spite of the war with Japan China's financial resources had proved sufficient to meet all obligations.—Our Own Correspondent.

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